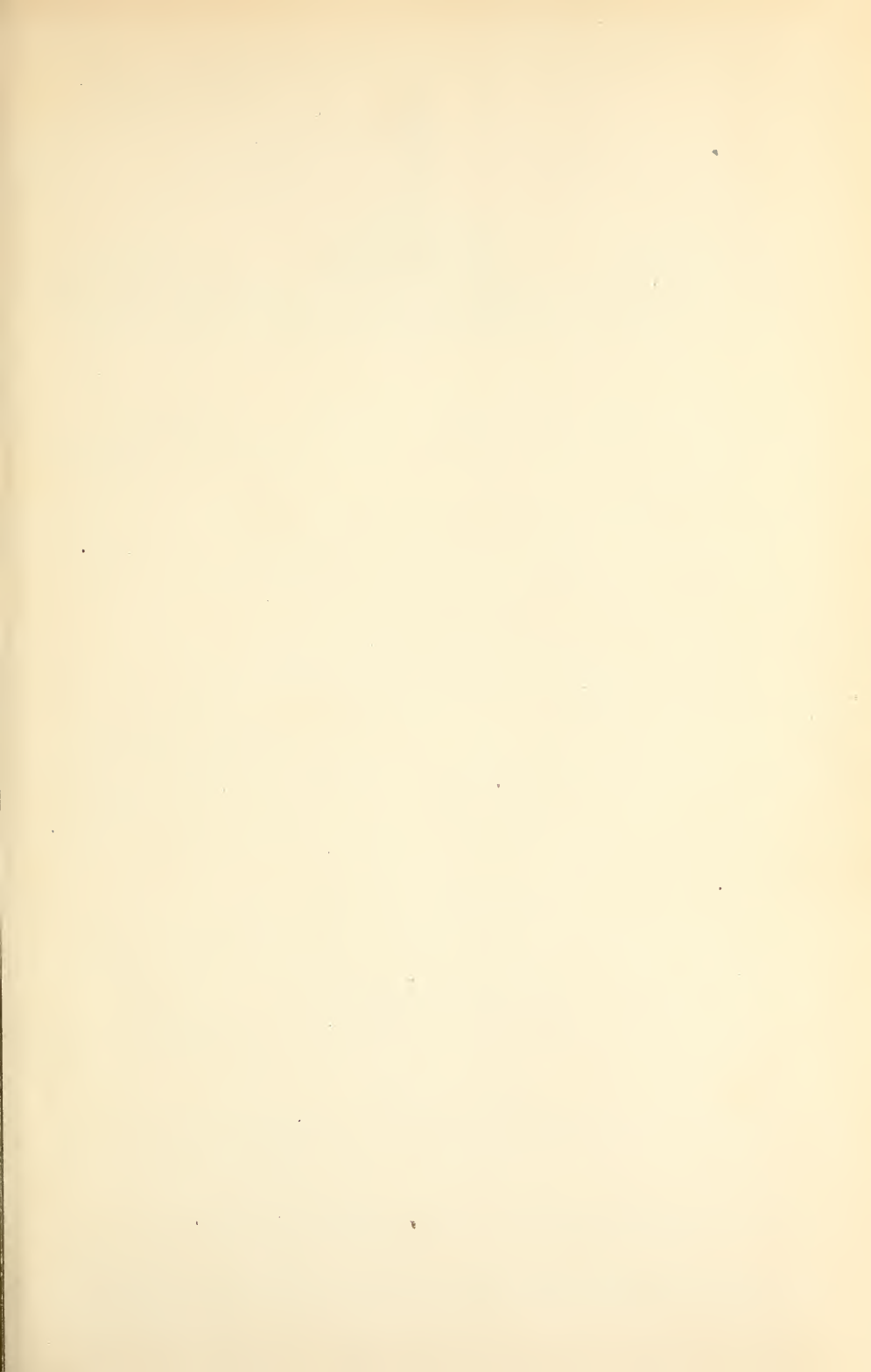


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FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

First Christian Church

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Number 1

WORSHIP 10:30 A.M.

SERMON: WORLD OF PROMISES

WORLD COMMUNION OBSERVED AT THIS SERVICE

A great number have registered to be present next Sunday. Come early that you may have a good seat.

The celebration of the Lord's Supper will have unusual significance this Sunday as we realize that it is world wide among evangelical churches.

Our Church choir will bring special music. Beautiful organ voluntaries, special solo.

Come, worship in this Christian fellowship—Stirring message from our pastor.

RALLY DAY THIS SUNDAY

Many prospective members have been invited.
There will be special programs in each department.

—Subject in Adult Department:

"THE GOOD SAMARITAN"

Unusual significance for World Communion Sunday.

ATTENTION MEN!

Mr. Charles Dilts is having as his guest, an American Indian, A Negro, and a Jew. This will make an unusual experience for the Men's Class. Be present!

It is Planned to have Movies taken of our members coming and leaving Church and Sunday School on next Sunday. These will be shown at a future Family night?

Your Church Calls You to Worship Sunday

● "LO, I AM WITH YOU"

Mr. and Mrs. Allen R. Huber, repatriated after internment in the Philippines, tell of anxious days and nights in Vigan when they were confined to their home with no outside contacts except the Japanese soldiers who guarded them.

Then they learned the great strength to be found in the hymns of the church: "How Firm a Foundation", "Jesus, Lover of My Soul", "I Need Thee Every Hour." Sung softly in the evening while walking in their yard, such hymns quieted and comforted them.

Passages of scripture, repeated together from memory, proved strong support when the way ahead seemed dark: "Be strong and of good courage; be not afraid; neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest", "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."



● LET THE CHRISTIANS LEAD

The Charter of the United Nations offers mankind an important means for the achievement of a just and durable peace. The new organization, projected after so great suffering and sacrifice of this world war, can help governments to join their moral and material resources in support of a system of world order and justice.

The churches of Christ in America have long held that nations can better serve God's purpose for the world as they are brought into organic relationship with one another for the common weal. The Charter . . . marks a genuine advance toward this end . . .

There will be required of the peoples of the world and of our own nation a very high sense of responsibility and a will to peace to overcome the obstacles which the world still faces in achieving genuinely mutual relationships. There needs to be developed a clearer recognition of the principle that there is a common concern of humanity which takes

precedence over the narrow interests of any nation or group of nations . . .

Accordingly, we believe that a heavy responsibility rests upon Christians to help create an invincible determination to use fully the procedures provided by the Charter. The peoples and governments need to commit themselves to the long and difficult task of attaining the moral goals set forth in the Charter. Let the churches of Christ lead in making this commitment wholeheartedly!

—*The Federal Council of Churches.*



● IN GRATEFUL APPRECIATION

History has just been written at Mungeli, India! A grateful patient has made an outstanding gift to our Christian Hospital.

Not long ago a man came to the hospital for treatment, but he found there was not enough room for well-to-do patients, of which he was one, and even less for the poorer ones. So in grateful recognition of the service rendered to him and his family, he has given funds to build a small ward.

It is of simple construction — brick walls with more than a foot left open at the upper part; simple bamboo and earthen tile roof laid on sawn rafters; just a dirt floor, but in time it will doubtless get a stone or cement floor. It is named for its donor, Arium Ward.

On May 24, this year, the ward was formally opened for use. Dr. P. D. Sukh-nandan, now in charge of the hospital during the furlough of Dr. Victor Rambo, presided. A friend of the donor officiated since the man himself could not attend the service.

The Government is planning to give substantial aid to building hospitals as part of its postwar program, and we look forward to real expansion of this Christian hospital.

—*Tom N. Hill,
Mungeli, India.*



Come Unto Me

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WASTE PAPER

General Council is requesting the ladies to bring all their newspapers ONLY to the church within the next week.

Bring only clean newspapers, no magazines.

MEN'S FORUM COMMITTEE

A committee was appointed last Sunday to work out the future program and organization of a Men's Forum on this committee were included the names of our pastor, Robert T. Beck, A. O. Schell, William Tracey and John Davis.

SEEING IS BELIEVING

A sound projector for our church is being investigated. Great strides have been made in the field of religious movies in the last years. Excellent talkie films are now available.

According to a report being prepared, it is possible to attach the movie machine to the regular address system. This could be done when the movie is shown in the main sanctuary. Other equipment makes it possible to show these films in the social rooms or even in private homes for small group meetings.

HEARING THE WORD

In order that those who have difficulty in hearing and in order to take care of the social room and other sections of the church as the crowd increase, a study is being made of loud speaking equipment and address systems.

Great progress has been made in such equipment in the last years. These systems come with ear phones for those who have difficulty in hearing; this will enable quite a number in our membership to enjoy our services.

RUMMAGE SALE

Ladies remember the date of the rummage sale, October 18-19-20 at 1423 S. Calhoun St.

TEEN AGE GROUP—C.Y.F.

The Teen Age Group of the C.Y.F. will have an outdoor meeting and weiner bake Sunday, October 7th. Come to the Church at 4 o'clock. Transportation will be furnished. Come and bring a friend.

GUILD

The evening Guild of the Woman's Council will meet at 8:00 Monday, October 8th at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Robert T. Beck, 308 S. Seminole Circle. Rev. Beck will tell of his trip to Mexico. This will be a guest meeting and all Church women interested in belonging to an evening group are invited to attend.

WELCOME

We are happy to welcome into our church:—

Miss Dorothy Dell Orchard of East Maumee Street, who is connected with the Shamrock Beauty Parlors.

Mrs. W. H. Stodden of South Fairfield, whose husband is serving in the armed forces of our country.

Mrs. C. H. Sargent, 802 Florence St.
Gerald S. Fogel, who is in school at the Starr Commonwealth.

WELCOME HOME

It is a great joy to our church to see our youth marching home after they have been so far from home. We are glad to welcome Wayne Tracey back into our active life again. It was nice to have his brother with us in the service last Sunday.



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MORNING WORSHIP 10:30 A.M.

SERMON: TRYING TO PUT ONE'S WORLD TOGETHER

At our Men's Forum the speaker quoted John Dulles as saying that there was little hope through statesmen for their words were not words of repentance, but were alibis. So his hope was found in the church. Certainly there are no words of repentance in the language heard from Moscow. The amazing demand of Commissar Molotov should not have shocked Secretary Byrnes. Moscow had been training her Japanese fifth column. It was known as the "Japanese People's Emancipation League." It has been stated that the smear campaign against General MacArthur and our occupation policies presaged this move by Moscow. What that all indicates is that booty is foremost in the world's thinking, not a spirit of repentance. How can penitence be taught to Germany or Japan, if the Allies have no sense of repentance.

The words of Jesus ring out **"Except ye repent ye shall all likewise perish."**

When the church stands as the HOPE of the world—can Christians treat it lightly. **NOT ALIBIS, but repentance** should mark our attitude. **EVERY CHRISTIAN WHO IS THINKING SHOULD BE SUPPORTING AND WORKING IN THE CHURCH EARNESTLY.**

A recent cartoon pictured the American citizen in an easy chair fast asleep. Fallen on the floor beside his chair was the newspaper with headline, "Problems of Peace." It was titled, "It can happen here." Wake up! Wake up! Christian Citizen!

A remarkably large crowd was in church last Sunday. Our Colony work is going. New life is moving through our church. There is an active place for each member. No one can do another's job in Kingdom building. The Call is for all of us to get busy. Now. **NOW** while it is time.

Welcome! Welcome! to our men as now they come marching home. There is a real place and a man's job for you to do fellow soldier. Get in it at once. Four years these have been waiting for you! God's blessings continue to be with you.

THE GREATEST OF THESE IS LOVE

"If I create wealth beyond the dream of past ages and increase not love, my heat is the flush of fever and my success will deal death.

"Though I have the foresight to locate the fountains of riches, and power to preempt them, and skill to tap them, and have no loving vision for humanity, I am blind.

"Though I give of my profits to the poor and make princely endowments for those who toil for me, if I have not human fellowship of love with them, my life is barren and doomed.

"Love is just and kind, love is not greedy and covetous; love exploits no one; it takes no unearned gain; it gives more than it gets; love does not break down lives of others to make wealth for itself; it makes wealth to build the life of all.

"Love seeks solidarity; it tolerates no divisions; it prefers equal work-mates; it shares its efficiency. Love enriches all men, educates all men, gladdens all men."

—Walter Rouschenbusch.

● UPROOTED AMERICANS

During the war years the United States has experienced the greatest mass migration of its history. More than eleven million young men and women have been uprooted from their homes, schools, communities, and jobs for service in the armed forces, sometimes in far distant parts of the world.

Another ten or twelve million persons have been uprooted from less essential industries and sent into industrial plants to build the implements of war. These have come from cities, towns, and villages all over America.

The American people are passing through an experience which is mixing the population as never before and breaking up established patterns of life in every community.

From the sharecropper areas of the South, from the Appalachian highlands, from the plains of the Midwest come workers into the cities of the East.

In no sense spectacular, but of vital importance, has been the effort of the church to keep in touch with these migrating millions. Much has been said

concerning the service of the chaplains in the Army and the Navy. Less is known of the untiring work of pastors and church leaders in keeping in touch with changing populations, both with families moving into communities, and with members of the churches going into unchurched industrial areas.

And the problem is perhaps just about half over, for yet there is to come the return of these millions of service men and women to their home towns, and the release of millions from industrial plants.

In many respects this last phase will place upon the churches a heavier responsibility than did the migration in preparation for war. There will be needed the untiring devotion of thousands of Christian men and women to meet this new problem which will come before the church can recover from the first.

● TEACH US TO PRAY

O Thou! by whom we come to God,
The Life, the Truth, the Way;
The path of prayer thyself hast trod;
Lord, teach us how to pray.

—James Montgomery.



I am the Child

*Give me, I pray you, those things that make for
happiness.*

*Train me, I beg you, that I may be a blessing to
the world.*

—Mamie Gene Cole.

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OUR CHURCH SCHOOL IS GROWING

New enthusiasm was imparted to many of the workers who attended the Work Shop last week under the direction of our state Director of Religious Education, Miss Anna M. Clarke.

Men's Class had its largest attendance last Sunday. New Surprise this Sunday. Lesson is found in Deuteronomy, Luke and Ephesians, and Proverbs. Mr. Dilts will have a surprise for the men again this Sunday.

The High School group has new life and interest. The Progressive Class is welcoming many old faces returning from the service.

Bring your children to the Church School that is the right way. 9:30 A.M.

WOMEN'S COUNCIL

Executive meeting will be held at 1:15 P.M. Tuesday, October 16.

General meeting will be held at 2:00 P.M. Tuesday, October 16, following the executive meeting. Mrs. Paul will be the guest speaker. The A Cappella Choir of Northside High School will sing. Ruth Circle will be hostess.

In a more recent international radio broadcast, Mr. John D. Rockefeller, a Christian layman, stated the facts more pointedly when he said: "We have woefully failed in love of God and love of man. Human greed and selfishness have brought us to our present sorry plight. Industrial and commercial development has been so rapid, all engrossing, that it has outstripped and stultified our moral and spiritual development. To renew, to strengthen, to extend spiritual power in man is the supreme task of this hour."

—Clipped.

SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to Mrs. Beck, in the death of her mother, Mrs. Bromley, who passed on at New Haven, Conn., on last Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. Beck are in New Haven, Conn., attending the funeral.

HONOR ROLL

Rev. and Mrs. Robert T. Beck
Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Anders
Mrs. Ruth Anderson
Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Baker
Mrs. Violet Baker
Mrs. Geo. Barbier
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Barnett
Mrs. Mary Barnett
Mrs. Georgia Bauer
Miss Jean Baxter
Mrs. Joseph Baxter
Mrs. Estella Binkley
Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Birkhold
Mrs. H. J. Bishop
Mrs. Mary Braden
Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Brickley
Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Broxon
Mrs. E. E. Buchanan
Mrs. Hazel Bundy
Stella Burkhalter
Miss Mildred Bingham
Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Carpenter
Mrs. Emma Carles
Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Childers
Mrs. Irene Cline
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clipp
Mrs. Wm. Coblentz
Mr. and Mrs. M. Cole
Miss Emma Crabill
Mr. and Mrs. Vinton Cramer
Mrs. C. E. Cramer
Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Crouse
James Crouse
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Crouse
Marilyn Crouse
Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Cruse
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"HOW TO BEGIN AGAIN"

The above is the sermon our minister will give Sunday morning. Many of our young men coming home must begin again. During reconversion we must begin again. Some of us have uttered foolish words we wish we had never spoken. How can we begin again? Beginning again is a problem we all face in one way or another. **HEAR YOUR MINISTER THIS SUNDAY.**

WORSHIP 10:30 A.M.

WILL PEOPLE COME TO CHURCH? If so, Why?

Our people in New York City, a congregation of a little over 300 members, have acquired a magnificent church building. This last week our minister visited this church. They are having large congregations now.

One Sunday morning the congregation was asked to record the distance they came that morning to be in a Christian Church. The average was 12 miles one way. Some had come as far as 25 miles. Think fifty miles to go to church on Sunday.

Yes! people will come to church! Why- Because they believe in the church. They love Christ and the brethren! More people than you think say, "As for me and my house we will serve the Lord." Those people are in church on Sunday.

CHURCH SCHOOL — 9:30 A.M.

A place for fellowship — A place for study — A place for Christian Action.
Enjoy the Church more by Coming to Sunday School!

DISTRICT FALL CONVENTION

Warsaw — October 29th

Auburn — October 30th

PLAN TO GO TO ONE OR THE OTHER OF THESE CONVENTIONS

October 28th

FAMILY NIGHT — DINNER 6 P. M.

Community Open Forum — 7:45 P. M.

Hon. Homer E. Capehart, Senator from Indiana, guest speaker
Senator Capehart will relate his experiences with the Senate Committee that visited Europ.

● A BOOK

"One could shed tears at the sight of people fighting to get a chance to buy a book," writes Mrs. W. H. Edwards after a trip on the SS **Oregon** and by canoe into the upper area of the Bolenge territory of the Congo Mission. This is the area in which one of the two new stations is being opened.

"At Mobusi we had a great gathering. For the occasion the natives had attempted to build frail bridges from one little pancake of land to another, rather than having to go by canoe on every turn of that river where no patch of land can hold more than a half dozen houses.

"At the book sale, people had to come out on the bridge alongside the boat to get near the sale. Of course the frail bridge had an overload of folk at one time, and down they went into the water. No need to worry about anyone among the Ibinza tribe drowning for they all swim like fish, but some new books got their first soaking."



● THE CHURCH IN CHINA

Miss Cammie Gray, missionary to China, in Chengtu since the evacuation of our workers because of the war with Japan, is seeking transportation home.

Her first stop on the way, was in Chungking where it was necessary to spend several weeks while she secured the proper papers to allow her to travel. While waiting there, she spent much time calling on Chinese families, formerly members of our churches in Nanking, Chuchow, Wuhu, Nantungchow, or Hofei. The highest number listed on the roll up to that time had been 81. At last report

she had located 41 others, making a total of 122.

Most of these are in business or government positions in Chungking. Some are teaching. Thirty are young people attending various schools or colleges. More than forty are children in primary schools.

On June 3 a Fellowship Meeting was held, at which were representatives of our stations in the occupied area. This was the first general meeting since the bombing six years ago, but plans were made for quarterly meetings from now on.

June 17 was an all-day retreat for the young people, using the theme "Christian Youth Helping to Build a Better World."

July 1 a special baptismal service was conducted for a number of the teen age young people who had not had opportunity to be immersed. Since we have no church in Chungking, the baptismistry of the China Inland Mission was borrowed. One of the young men from our Wuhu Church is helping there in evangelistic work.



● SUFFERING IN THE PHILIPPINES

"The terrible destruction brought about by the war, not only in Manila but in the provinces, has caused untold hardship and suffering throughout the Island," says Dr. Ernest E. Tuck, recently returned after internment in the Philippines.

"In Manila and other congested areas, the chief need is for food and shelter while in the provinces the greatest need is for clothing. Medicines are also greatly needed in all sections. The Army and the Red Cross are doing a splendid job but, of course, they cannot reach more than a small per cent of the total needy.

"Burning, looting, bombing, and sheer wanton destruction have created a desperate situation."

Steward I — and not possessor, of the wealth entrusted me,
What were God Himself the holder, would His disposition be?
This I ask myself each morn, every noon, and every night,
As I view His gentle goodness with an ever new delight.

—Strickland Gillilan.



WHOSOEVER shall call upon the name
of the Lord shall be saved.

*How then shall they call on him in whom
they have not believed? and how shall they
believe in him of whom they have not heard?
and how shall they hear without a preacher?*

*And how shall they preach, except they be
sent? as it is written,*

*"How beautiful are the feet of them that
preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad
tidings of good things!"*

—Romans 10:13-15.

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RESOLUTION AND TELEGRAM TO OUR MINISTER AND FAMILY

October 10.

Resolution: We the Official Board of the First Christian Church extend to Mrs. Beck, Martha Jeanneaat and yourself our deep expression of sympathy in the passing of Mrs. Bromley on behalf of the Official Board.

W. C. Birkhold,
M. C. Orchard,
O. O. Vaught.

Mrs. Bromley was a much loved leader and worker in Old First Church in New Haven, Conn. Mr. Bromley was for years treasurer of the church and this Fall was elected to the Board of Trustees.

Mrs. Beck is staying on in New Haven for several weeks. Martha Jeanette and her father are at home. Martha attends the first grade in the Harrison Hill School.

Our Minister wishes for Mrs. Beck and himself to express their sincere appreciation of the beautiful roses and the multitude of letters and expressions of sympathy that came like ministering angels to comfort in their time of deep sorrow. Their hearts were touched and comforted by the kind, understanding and sympathetic thoughtfulness "of our own dear people, whom we have come to love."

HONOR ROLL (Continued)

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Dalton
Mrs. Charles Dare
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Davis
Joyce Davis
Mrs. Rhoda Depotty
Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Dilts
Miss Martha Ellen Dilts
Miss Emma Dorris
Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Durfee
Mrs. Ella Diss
Mrs. Henry Ehle
Mrs. Ida Mae England
Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Erwin
M. W. Fitch Family
Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Follis

(To be continued)

SYMPATHY

The church was grieved to learn of the sudden death of Edwin D. Cruse. For years he was treasurer of the church and was held in high esteem by those who knew him. Mrs. Cruse forebears were charter members of First Christian. The name Broome is a cherished one in the church. This family has a deep tie by birth and work in the church. The sympathy of the church goes out to Mrs. Cruse and her sons and daughters.

Mrs. C. F. Kollman, 4538 Lafayette Esplanade, died on October 17th, following a long illness. The sympathy of the entire church goes out to the family in their bereavement.

ILLNESS

Mrs. John Mettle is convalescing at St. Joseph Hospital. Mrs. Mettle is the daughter of Mrs. Gertrude Sutton.

Mrs. William Tracey is doing nicely after a major operation. She is in Room No. 504 at the Methodist Hospital.

HARVEST INGATHERING OF FOOD

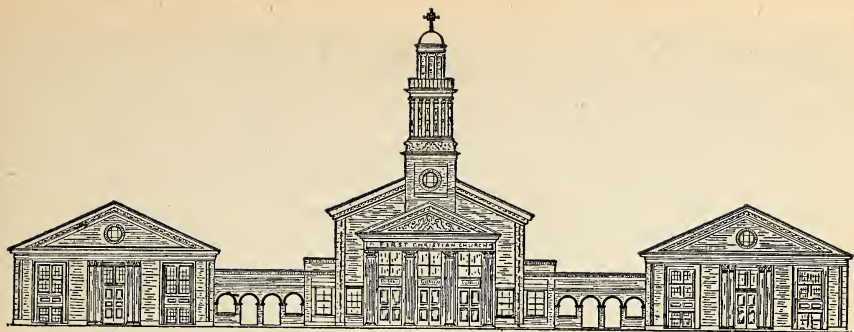
This is the month for the Annual Harvest Ingathering for food for the Emily Flinn Home at Marion. Please bring your donations of food to the Church at any time this month and up to November 4th, at which time it will be taken to the Home. First Christian Church has always been generous.

C.Y.F. TEEN-AGE GROUP

The C.Y.F. Teen-age Group, Halloween Party. When? October 27th, 1945. Where? The Horn Home, 1810 Third St.

LEAVING THE CITY

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Monk, 414 W. Pontiac Street are leaving the city to make their home in Connerville, Indiana. Mr. Monk is connected with the Sinclair Oil Company and has been transferred. Mrs. Monk has been active in Council Circles. We are sorry to loose these friends. The best of good wishes go with them.



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WORSHIP 10:30 A. M.

Sermon: "Seeing It Through"

So often we see people start out in Christian life, but soon they fall by the wayside. Why can't they see it through? Young people today are thinking of marriage. Many returning soldiers are dreaming of homes of their own. Can they see it through? How can one carry through his high intention. We have won peace, we say. Will we carry this through, or are we headed toward destruction. **Hear your minister this Sunday discuss this important question.**

WORLD TEMPERANCE SUNDAY

FAMILY NIGHT

Dinner 6:00 p.m.

Community Forum 7:45 p.m.

Honorable Homer E. Capehart, U. S. Senator from Indiana, will be the guest of the Church. Mr. Capehart, son of a good farmer family in Daviess County, has won distinction in the industrial world and in the political world. He is an example that in America the doors of opportunity are open. His unusual experience as a member of the senate committee that visited the War area in Europe, carried him to most of the countries of Europe and as far East as the Holy Lands. **HE HAS A GREAT STORY TO TELL.** Tell your friends and invite them to attend the Open Forum.

The Naomi Group will be in charge of the dinner, as hostesses. Those attending the dinner are asked to bring a covered dish and table service.

The reception committee is composed of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Schell, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander M. Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dare, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Sigrist, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Munson, Mrs. David Hogg, Mrs. Gertrude Sutton, Mrs. A. R. Shockey, Mrs. John Leikauf, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Barnett, Rev. and Mrs. Robert T. Beck.

Special music will be given by Miss Sarah Shroyer and Miss Gertrude Beierlein.

Mrs. Lillian Scott will play during the dinner period. O. O. Vaught will lead in the singing.

CHURCH SCHOOL—9:30 A. M.

Class for every age—Expanded program for children.

Men's Class will have Arthur Wilkie as guest speaker. Mr. Wilkie is chairman of Child Welfare Committee of the American Legion Post No. 47. He has a real story to tell. **BE SURE TO BE PRESENT.** Bring a guest with you.

● INDIA AND RICE

The favorable rains of this year have brought general relief to the people of the section of India where our Mission is serving. For the last two or three years, particularly in rural areas, our people have been operating under semi-famine conditions due to drouth and the failure of rice crops.

To counter-balance the help that the good-crops brought, however, war conditions tightened. In this case, it was the people in the cities who felt most the pressure of increased prices on food, to twice or three times the pre-war cost. Prices on cotton goods increased sharply, building materials were almost impossible to secure in some parts, and other products practically disappeared from the markets.

Thus the people of India felt the impact of the war which was fought all around them.

Of all that Thou shalt give to me, I will surely give the tenth unto Thee.



Seek ye first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.

● NOW THEY ARE ADULTS

Mr. E. G. Luna, director of Mexican Christian Institute, San Antonio, entered the work of this Mission as director of boys' clubs a number of years ago. Under his influence, many boys were brought from the street into the activities of the Mission and of the Mexican Christian Church and Sunday school.

Today most of those boys are in the armed forces. That many of them still look to the Mission and Mr. Luna for guidance, and carry with them some of the things learned in their years in the Mission, is evidenced by the following excerpt from a letter to Mr. Luna: "I have been very lucky so far, having gone into two operations, Iwo and Okinawa, without injury to me or the rest of the crew. The prayers from our families and friends have been heard and answered . . .

"Your letter reminded me of the good times we had at the MCI and I couldn't help but wonder if we won't be able to enjoy them again when we get back. Have you given any thought to it? I very well know that you are mainly concerned with younger boys, but if you could spare some of your time with us 'Has Beens,' you can count on me to cooperate as much as possible in organizing an 'Old Men's Club' for clean fun.

"I hope we can get together again, not only for recreational purposes but to be of some service to the community by working together. No, not as politicians or crusaders, but in some way that we can make life more enjoyable for ourselves and neighbors."



● BIBLE READING

The reading of the Bible is required in the public schools of eleven states, prohibited in three, and permitted but not required in the other thirty-four, according to a recent survey made by the American Bible Society.



The Word of God

*O how I love thy law!
It is my meditation all the day.
Through thy precepts I get understanding:
Therefore I hate every false way.
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a
light unto my path.*

—PSALM 119:97, 104, 105.

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MEN'S FORUM

The nomination committee for the Men's Forum reports the following names as officers of this organization: Alexander M. Campbell, president; Clay Orchard, vice-president; Kenneth Lytle, secretary; John Davis, treasurer.

WELCOME

We are pleased to welcome into the membership:

Mrs. Wauneta McKinley, who comes from the Christian Church, Metz, Indiana. Mrs. McKinley has a little son 5 years old.

Miss Janet Thompson, 1050 Delaware Avenue. Miss Thompson is a talented member of our choir.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Rice and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Rice. This family comes into our church with a fine background of service in the church from which they come. These men, brothers, were elders and Sunday School teachers. Their wives have likewise been teachers and workers in their former church home. We are glad to welcome these fine people and their lovely children into our church home.

SYMPATHY

Mrs. C. F. Kellman was taken to Ke ndallville for burial. Mrs. Ralph O'Dell, a daughter, is also a member of this church. C. F. Kollman Jr., a son, was a deacon in this church. Mrs. O'Dell's husband is with the Armed Forces in China. Our minister conducted a brief service at the home before Mrs. Kollman was taken to Kendallville. The sympathy of the church goes out to this family.

FLOWERS

Our sanctuary committee headed by Mrs. C. F. Durfee is to be congratulated on the beautiful flowers we are having on Sunday. If you wish to give flowers please get in touch with Mrs. Durfee.

DISTRICT CONVENTION

Auburn—Oct. 30th

Make Your Plans Now to Go!

GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING

The General Council are planning to have their November meeting at the Emily Flinn Home at Marion, Indiana, on November 14th. We will have a fine program and a pot luck 'dinner at 12 o'clock noon. The ladies of the Home will be our guests. We must notify Miss Harter, superintendent of the Home, as to how many to expect. Please notify your Group Leader at your next meeting whether or not you will be able to go. Cars for transportation will be provided. You will be expected to take your table service and a covered dish. All the ladies of the Church are cordially invited and you will have an enjoyable time. The transportation committee **must** know how many are going.

The Dorcas Group will meet at the home of Mrs. Ray Barnett, 725 Wagner Street, Thursday, Nov. 1st.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Harry Hiler, chairman, Delmos Young, secretary, Mrs. C. F. Durfee, Mrs. John Davis and Walter C. Birkhold, compose the committee who will nominate officers for the church for 1946. They will make their report this Sunday.

HONOR ROLL (Continued)

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Frame
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Frame
Mrs. Nettie Funk
Mr. and Mrs. E. Fusselman
Wanda Jean Follis
Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Gaskill
Mrs. Edwin Geerken
Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gerrard
Miss Flora Gilmore
Miss Phyllis Glass
Mr. and Mrs. N. Gorham
Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Haddox
Mr. and Mrs. M. Cleo Halleck
Richard Hafner
Miss Mildred Hartman
Miss Anna C. Hartshorn
Miss Mabel Haynes
Miss Pearl Heidecker
Mr. and Mrs. M. Heller
(To be continued)



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SERVICES 10:30 A. M.

SERMON:—"FINDING ONE'S PLACE"

One soldier said, "the government has spent two years teaching me how to kill other men. NOW that training doesn't help me to find a place." Our Master for over nineteen hundred years has been saying, "I will prepare a place for you". Do you feel out of place? In the Church? in your business? In your home? In your city? Come! Hear your minister discuss a vital problem. Catch inspiration from his wide observations. Get your compass pointing right.

"Never participated in more reverent worship service", was the observation of one worshipper last Sunday. **YOU CANNOT AFFORD TO MISS SUNDAY WORSHIP IN THE HOUSE OF GOD.**

Last Sunday was our largest attended family night. Mark November 25th for another great fellowship in Family Night. Ex-governor Henry Shricker will be the speaker.

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MEN FORUM SUNDAY, 6:15 P. M.

The Men's Forum will be formally organized. Rev. C. A. Weessner will be the guest speaker. Subject, **Church men in the World of Today.** Rev. Weessner is a part of the U.C.M.S. Organization.

Movies will be shown. **MAKE THIS OUR GREATEST MEN'S MEETING!**

Elders will head the Dinner Committee—Dorcas Circle will prepare dinner.

EVERY MAN SHOULD ATTEND THIS DINNER

CALL THE OFFICE AT ONCE

Dinner, 45c per plate.

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CHURCH SCHOOL 9:30 A. M.

Encourage — Support, and promote the work of Christian Teaching. The best way to begin is to come and bring your children and others with you.

Your Church Calls You to Worship Sunday

● FOR MIGRANTS

Working through the Home Missions Council of North America, 23 Protestant bodies are carrying a religious and welfare ministry to migrant agricultural workers in twenty-three states: to 85,000 seasonal workers from Mexico, Jamaica, the Bahamas, and the Barbadoes; to 200,000 Spanish-speaking Americans; to 68,000 American Negroes; and to about 250,000 other Americans and immigrants.

The ministry includes church services, Sunday schools, Bible classes, nurseries, recreation, language study, counselling, home-making. It is conducted by 274 ministers, community workers, child specialists, and teachers.



● LET NOTHING YOU DISMAY

Occupation by the enemy, bombings, loss of equipment, insufficient medicines — all of these together have failed to prevent a Christian woman doctor in China from serving her people to the limit of her endurance.

When Dr. Douglas Corpron was in charge of our Christian Hospital at Hofei, Dr. Kung Wei-young was his surgical assistant at all operations. After the Japanese took over, she refused to cooperate with them and finally managed to escape from the city of Hofei to Li-Whang, outside the area of occupation.

With her own money and some equipment left in her care by Dr. Corpron, she opened a branch of the Hofei Christian Hospital. In a short time, the building and the equipment were destroyed by bombing.

Then she obtained a loan to continue her service, working part time for the government until the debt was paid in full. She now cares for fifteen to twenty patients a day, most of them women. While obstetric cases take most of her time, there are also malaria, meningitis, dysentery, typhoid fever and skin diseases.

Adequate equipment and medicines cannot be supplied now, but as she is

able, Dr. Kung ministers to rich and poor as a Christian doctor.



● WHEN WILL WE LEARN?

The church woman's home is her laboratory for Christian living, for it is there she can test out the great truths garnered from the teachings of her church.

Through various channels, the church woman is making a tremendous contribution toward the building of a better world. But too often she misses her supreme opportunity to make her own home so completely Christian that Christ is vitally real in the life of every member of her household.

The absence of mothers from the homes, along with the absence of fathers, husbands, brothers, and sons in war service, the irregularity of schedules in the homes due to shift work, have brought a strain upon the family and a sense of insecurity which is felt especially by children. Hence, the very rapid rise in juvenile delinquency the root of which is very largely to be found in the home.

The task of secular education of children can successfully be turned over to public schools, but the church school cannot do the entire task of teaching religion, no matter how fine its equipment and leadership. Unless the home fires of faith burn brightly and the whole atmosphere of the home is frankly and sincerely Christian, the efforts of the church are of little consequence.



● GOD MOVES ON

Who walks with God must take his way

Across far distances and gray

To goals that others do not see,

Where others do not care to be.

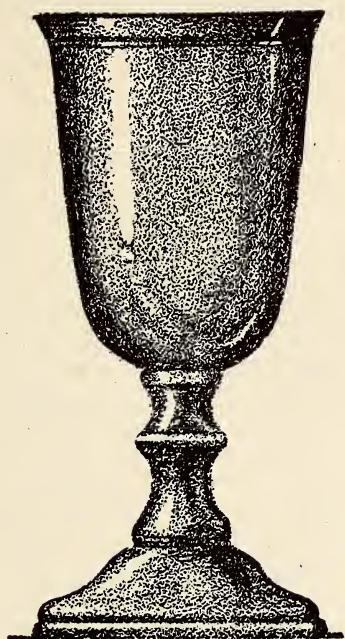
Who walks with God must have no fear

When danger and defeat appear,

Nor stop when every hope seems gone,

For God, our God, moves ever on.

—Clarence E. Flynn.



"This is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for many for the remis-
sion of sins."

— Matthew 26:28.

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STEP-UP PROGRAM OF THE WHOLE CHURCH IN 1946 OUR 75th ANNIVERSARY

Larger Sunday School — Larger Membership—Larger Worship to give greater meaning of Church Life to More People.

In Our Women's Work—Our Men's Work, Our Work with Youth, to enrich our Christian knowledge and fellowship in active work for Christ and His Church.

IN FINANCES

Before the First of the year—45 new pledges, 75 increases in pledges, 50 per cent of those not pledging enlisting in regular and systematic giving. Everyone is asked to consider tithing.

IN EVANGELISM

50 new members by the first of the Year. Great visitation program in the month of November.

IN THE COLONY

Every Church home visited again before Christmas. A vital program of Bible Reading in every home of our church.

STEP-UP YOUR CHRISTIAN LIVING AND THINKING

YOUR CHURCH CALLS YOU TO WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY AND TO BE PRESENT TO VOTE FOR YOUR OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1946.

TEACHERS AND OFFICERS OF CHURCH SCHOOL

Beginning THIS SUNDAY each class is asked to lay aside a special offering for our November Offering Each Sunday. TAKE TWO MINUTES to tell the class or department of the great work of our Brotherhood which this offering supports. IF YOU DO THIS YOU WILL MAKE THE CHURCH MEAN MORE. MAKE THE OFFERING COMMENSURATE WITH THE ABILITY OF OUR GREAT CHURCH.

FRIENDLY BIBLE CLASS

The Friendly Bible Class will meet with Mrs. H. W. Sigrist, 2326 So. Webster Street, Friday evening, November 2nd.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

The RACHEL Group will meet with Mrs. J. Z. Berlein, 2819 Bowser Ave., Tuesday, November 6th.

The NAOMI Group will meet with Mrs. W. C. Birkhold, 4017 So. Fairfield Ave., Wednesday, November 7th, at 2:00 p.m.

The ESTHER Group will meet with Mrs. Fred Hilker, 926 High St., Tuesday, November 6th, 2:15 p.m.

The MARTHA Group will meet with Mrs. H. W. Sigrist, 2326 So. Webster, Wednesday, November 7th, 2:15 p.m.

The RUTH Group will meet with Mrs. C. F. Durfee, 1018 College, Tuesday, November 6th.

NOVEMBER 14th

The Woman's Council is planning to have their November meeting at the Emily Flinn Home, Wednesday, November 14th. Mrs. J. R. Coar of Pendleton, formerly a member of this church, will review the book, "The Cross Over Africa". This is a timely and interesting study. Any woman of the Church who would like to go to Marion on the 14th, please notify Mrs. Davis or one of the group leaders so that transportation may be arranged for you.

SYMPATHY

We are all deeply grieved to learn of the passing of Mrs. Eubank, Mrs. A. O. Schell's mother. Our heartfelt sympathy go out to these friends in their sorrow.

HAVE YOU ANSWERED THE LETTER?

To each home went a letter telling of the need of our National City Church and Our great opportunity in New York City. Some have not answered this letter yet. Bring your offering envelopes next Sunday. Please. FIRST CHRISTIAN of Fort Wayne supports Brotherhood causes. All the substantial churches of our Brotherhood are responding. Some of their gifts run into the thousands of dollars. WE shall want to do our share. Bring your envelope next Sunday sure!

Get your ticket for The Turkey Supper and Bazar now.



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WORLD ORDER SUNDAY On Armistice Day "BETWEEN AN OLD AND A NEW WORLD"

will be the subject of our minister's sermon Sunday. We are always struggling here. We suffer under restraints. We struggle for freedom. We long to know our destiny. What do men do just before they give up? Hear your pastor speak on this thrilling topic Sunday.

THIS SUNDAY IS ALSO LAYMEN'S SUNDAY

A. O. Schell, chairman of the Official Board, Ray Barnett, chairman of the board of Elders, Arthur Davis, chairman of the board of Deacons, Walter C. Birkhold, chairman of the board of Trustees and Alexander M. Campbell, president of the Men's Forum will share in the service, witnessing in a paragraph or so their belief in the world program of the church. They will speak in the above order.

This is an unusual program — Progressive churches across this nation will Observe Sunday, November 11th and Armistice Day in this emphasis on lay leadership.

CHURCH SCHOOL 9:30 a.m.

EXPANDED SESSION FOR THE CHILDREN DISCUSSION GROUPS FOR ADULTS

Thanks to many for coming on time.

Bring the children with you!

NOVEMBER 11TH TO 18TH VISITATION WEEK

Each evening next week men and women will meet at the church at 6:15 p.m. and will leave two by two and visit in the homes of prospective members. In addition to those who go **EVERY MEMBER OF THIS CHURCH IS ASKED TO PAUSE SOMETIME BETWEEN 6:15 and 6:30 p.m.** each evening from Monday to Friday inclusive and offer a prayer both for our workers and for those whom our worker shall visit that many homes may be Christian and may be united in our beloved Church.

EVERY MEMBER OF FIRST CHRISTIAN MUST PARTICIPATE IN THIS VISITATION. EITHER IN VISITATION IN THE HOMES OR IN PRAYER WHILE OTHERS VISIT.

Walter C. Birkhold, chairman of evangelism, solicits the help of every one.

Supper is being served for the workers: Monday and Friday night the Martha group will serve. Tuesday and Thursday night the Naomi Group will serve and Wednesday the Rachel Group will serve.

ORCHIDS TO THE WOMEN OF OUR CHURCH

To the Dorcas group for serving the Men's Forum, to the Martha, Rachel and Naomi group for serving the members of the evangelistic teams and again to the Naomi group for serving on Family night our largest family night crowd. Orchids to the Women's Council for their success in the rummage project.

● FREE!

At long last, word has been received of the release from Japanese prison camp of Mr. O. J. Goulter, the last of our missionaries in the hands of the enemy. His first letter, written on August 24, and mailed about the 29th, contains the following information for those who through more than four years have hoped and prayed for his safety.

"It is quite impossible adequately to express my gratitude to God that the slaughter and destruction is at an end. . . . I will hope to get back to the U. S. in time to spend Christmas with my family . . .

"Of late, my health has been good, but I do not have much strength yet. Food is very good now. The International Red Cross has been supplying us with extra food for the past month or two and is looking after us just now.

"I will probably stay on in the camp until I leave Shanghai, although Mrs. Lawrence Lew (a faithful member of our church in China since her youth) has very kindly offered to take me into their home. The very first day they could come in they came all prepared to help me pack, guarantee my keep to the authorities so that I could get out. Considering that they have had an extremely hard time and Lawrence has just gone to West China, this was really marvelous generosity. Their three girls are near the same ages as my three and it is a great delight to see them and to have such a welcome after these years of confinement. I may go there for a short change."



● SPIRITUAL AID TO P. I.

About 30 cubic tons of church supplies including Bibles, hymnals, Sunday school materials, religious books, and other needed articles have been provided by mission boards and publishing houses in answer to earnest requests from the churches in the Philippines. These will

enable them to begin again their services of worship, education, and life-renewal.

The Church Committee for Relief in Asia served as the agency for getting all these church supplies assembled at a common point and shipped to the Islands. Distribution there will be through the Federation of Evangelical Churches.

It is of interest to Disciples of Christ that our missionary, Joseph M. Smith, is Acting Executive Secretary of the Federation. After release from the Japanese prison camp, he remained on the field to survey conditions in our churches, and later was requested to continue for six months in the work of the Federation.



● STATISTICS

A total church membership of 72,492,-669 persons in the continental United States, equal to 52.5 per cent of the estimated population, is officially reported by 256 religious bodies in the **Yearbook of American Churches, 1945.**

Disciples of Christ stand tenth in that report, with 1,672,354 members reported.



Total gifts for all purposes through the churches, for 1944, were \$423,694,572; with congregational expenses taking \$342,434,983 of this, and works of benevolence taking \$81,259,589.

Disciples of Christ report \$17,214,948 given for congregational purposes, and \$4,300,090 for all work of benevolence.



Per capita giving for 1944 (for all purposes) was \$16.57, average among all the churches.

Per capita giving for 1944 for Disciples of Christ, for all purposes, was \$12.65 — only two church bodies reporting a smaller gift.

Disciples of Christ gave for missions and all benevolent work, a per capita gift of \$2.57 in 1944.



*Let all the earth fear Jehovah;
Let all the inhabitants of the world
stand in awe of him . . .*

*Blessed is the nation whose God is Jehovah,
The people whom he hath chosen for
his own.*

—Psalms 33:8, 12.

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LOYAL REAPERS—LOOK WHAT'S COOKIN'

Pearl Heidecker and Grace Schweikhart are entertaining at their home, 4001 Indiana Avenue, Friday evening, November 16th. You won't want to miss this. The Nominating Committee will give their report for your approval.

BIRTHDAY CONGRATULATIONS

Rev. Richard H. Jones, 615½ Lawton Place will celebrate his birthday this week on November 8th. Many happy returns, Mr. Jones.

Miss Emma Dorris will celebrate her 81st birthday, November 19th.

ILLNESS

Mrs. Preston Somers is in the St. Joseph's Hospital. She has been ill for some time. Let us remember her when we pray.

THE WOMAN'S COUNCIL

Will meet this month at the Emily Flinn Home on Wednesday, November 14th. **Are you planning to go?** Give your name to your group leader or the Council President so that transportation can be arranged. We will meet at the church at 9:00 a.m. Don't fail to plan for this day. By going you will make a group of women happy and you, yourself, will enjoy the day. Those going should take their table service and a covered dish. Mrs. Coar will give a book review. The Committee in charge would like to have a large group go to Marion on the 14th. Miss Harter, Supt. of the Home, is expecting us. In a recent report from the Home it was noted that 8 women's groups from other churches in Indiana visited there during October.

BUSINESS LADIES, YOUNG MATRONS ATTENTION!

The Guild Will Meet Monday Evening

Miss Leah Miller will be hostess to the Guild at her home at 441 East Wildwood on next Monday evening. Our Pastor, Robert T. Beck, will be the guest speaker. This will be guest evening and members are reminded to bring guests.

LOOKING FORWARD TO OUR 75th ANNIVERSARY

With the slogan, "every family win a family," we are expecting 50 new members by the 31st of December; 50 new pledges; many not now pledging, giving regularly to the church budget; increase in Church School enrollment and attendance. Increase in active members in Council, large active membership in our Men's Forum.

SYMPATHY

We feel for Mrs. Eggers in the loss of her little babe whose father is in Japan with the armed forces. Mrs. Eggers is the daughter of Mr. and M.s. David Vesey.

In the loss of Mr. J. A. Lynn the church loses a devoted member. Had Mr. Lynn lived until Nov. 27th He and Mrs. Lynn would have celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. Our hearts go out to his dear wife and family.

GOD BLESS YOU, CHRISTIAN FRIENDS

The above was said many times to Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Crouse and their son and daughter at the farewell party for them Monday night at the church. Elder in our church and superintendent of our Church School, Don will be missed as will also his wife who was one of our faithful teachers and workers. Already Brother Crouse has made contact with one of our churches and has been most cordially received. We are not as a people as numerous in the East as in this section, which is all the more reason why the Crouse family will be needed and appreciated. The church to which he will go has members from almost all the states in the middle west and west. We say "Keep the good work going!"

EMILY FLINN HARVEST INGATHERING

This is the time for the Harvest Ingathering of Food for the Emily Flinn Home at Marion. Bring your gifts to the church next Sunday. They will be taken to the Home on November 14th.



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THANKSGIVING SUNDAY

Worship: 10:30 A.M.

Sermon: "Does It Make Any Difference?"

Does It make any difference? Our answer to that question determines a lot of attitudes and actions. Does Communion about His Table make any difference? Has Thanksgiving Day, set aside in our country, made any difference? Does going to church make a difference? Does offering grace before your meals bring any results? Will it make any difference the way any one of us acts or thinks in our relations between nations? Come hear your minister and pray as he preaches this Thanksgiving sermon.

AMPLIFYING SYSTEM

The amplifying system was in use Sunday. Remarkable improvements in the address mechanisms, give full range to voice qualities. We want everyone to enjoy the church service. It may be possible later for those who need it to have available ear phones.

ENLARGING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

To meet the needs of the post-war program of the Church, real improvements and expansion are being planned through our educational committee. We hope in the second issue to have some interesting announcements.

REMEMBER OUR CHURCH SCHOOL BEGINS AT 9:30 A.M. Expanded program for the children; a nursery for small children during preaching services.

LARGEST RESPONSE IN VISITATION

This week we have the largest number of visitors in our Evangelism Program. More have responded for this program than any thus far undertaken. It seems now that a call will be made in every home we have on our responsibility list. Reports are already coming in and they are most heartening.

Our visitors go, two by two, to call in the homes of those who might be interested in making First Christian their church home. Several hundred homes will be visited by these workers.

ONE THING ALL OF US CAN DO (VISITORS AND MEMBERS) WE CAN PRAY EACH EVENING FOR THESE WORKERS, FOR THE HOMES IN WHICH THEY VISIT, AND FOR THE CHURCH. WITHOUT THIS SPIRIT AND WITHOUT THIS EFFORT, OUR CALLING WILL BE IN VAIN. MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR GOD TO USE EACH OF US.

LOOKING AHEAD!

Family Night--November 25th, Ex-governor Henry F. Shricker will be the guest speaker. Fine fellowship, excellent music--and a thoughtful evening with the former governor of our state.

● WORLD COUNCIL

Eighty-eight Protestant churches or federations of churches throughout the world have united in the membership and fellowship of the World Council of Churches, which has headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland. Most recent additions are the Union of Protestant Evangelical Churches of Belgium, and the Denmark Lutheran Church.

The American Committee for the World Council of Churches has headquarters in New York City, and there is a similar committee in England with headquarters in London.



● "SEND US A PREACHER"

It is always of interest to hear from our missionaries, but of special interest to receive the reports of the new workers after they have had time to become somewhat acquainted with the field.

Such is a letter written by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Whitmer from Lotumbe, Africa:

Our first year of Congo life is in the past. From the looks of things, the first year is not the hardest, though being suddenly settled in a place so new and having our hands tied with lack of knowledge of the language and people was not easy . . .

We have been able to do a little traveling and have heard the pleas of the village elders time and time again, "Send us a teacher. Don't you see all our children here, growing up without wisdom?"

Some villagers were commanding, others pleading. One elderly woman in Becimbola, a village which was without a teacher last year, came to me with tears in her eyes saying, "You just can't leave us without a preacher again." And she proceeded to explain how much the ministry of Christ meant to her, and how much she missed it.

What I wouldn't give to have some of our leading workers in churches at home to be here and have to listen to these

pleas. What a revival of missionary personnel and giving we would have!



● MORAL WOUNDS

"A girl whose sense of God is dulled by indifferent parents; a youth frustrated by a disordered, abnormal age; a home imperiled by too much quick money and parents working on odd and disrupted shifts: these are wounds that threaten people here at home as certainly as German shells and Japanese bullets threatened our boys.

"But we don't get excited about this danger and nobody stops to think that patriotism is not only rolling a bandage but is also helping a confused youth to straighten out his life . . . This is the job of moral leaders and spiritual guides.

"Soldiers can destroy, but teachers must rebuild. We must train a new generation of boys and girls who will be wise enough to make war impossible and bring the good life to men and women everywhere."
—Selected.



● CHINA HAS SUFFERED

China's military casualties from July, 1937, to March, 1945, totalled 3,100,000, according to General Chen Cheng, Minister of War.

China's civilian casualties, after eight years of war, can only be estimated. Countrywide aerial bombing and strafing, enemy occupation of her long sea coast, penetration to her very heart by the Japanese army, losses by fire, famine, and disease have taken millions of lives. Displaced persons number forty millions, many of whom are widows and orphans.

A very large proportion of China's population of over 400 millions is impoverished and in dire need.

History probably has never recorded a greater catastrophe to mankind.



*For "Liberty
and Justice
For All"*

**THE CHURCH
MUST LEAD**



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THANKS TO THE LADIES!

With sacrifice of time and effort on the part of many, our women have furnished splendid meals to our evangelistic workers. It gives a fine feeling and a good start to our workers each evening to come about the evening meal before they leave. Sharing of experiences—praying together do much to help this great work.

CORDIAL WELCOME

To Mrs. Clyde Driver, who comes to us from the church at Hartford City. Mrs. Driver has a most attractive family. We are pleased and rejoice in this new fellowship.

To Mrs. G. B. Hunt, wife of Lieutenant Hunt, who recently became a member of this church family. Mrs. Hunt, wife of a minister, mother of two lovely children, and a devoted Christian, is most welcome. Mrs. Hunt's mother and father were also present last Sunday when Mrs. Hunt placed her membership with us.

OUR CHOIR LEADER

Mr. Benjamin Weimer will become our choir leader and will direct the choir next Sunday. Mr. Weimer is a graduate of Defiance College in Ohio and of Phillips University, a Disciple institution, in Enid, Oklahoma. Mr. Weimer is an accomplished musician. He is also director of recreation in the West Jefferson Street Recreation center.

Mr. Doell leaves us to become director of the choir at Concordia Lutheran Church. Mr. Doell is a devout member of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

ILLNESS

Mrs. P. H. Somers is reported better at this writing. We rejoice in this good news.

(Note: Please report any known illness or sickness to the church office around 11:30 A.M. Monday through Friday. We want to keep in touch with those in our membership who are ill or in distress.)

NOVEMBER 25th - DECEMBER 2nd STEP-UP PROGRAM

We made our answer to the call of our country—Taxes, bonds, our boys and our girls. **OUR TEST IS WHEN OUR CHRIST CALLS**—How Christian are we? Any system of Give-what-you-please, divorced from spiritual stewardship, causes heavy loss in both spirituality and substance. Finances become depleted, pressure is exerted; estrangement arises and members are lost to the fellowship. Lodges and clubs expect their members to pay. Membership lapses upon non-payment. Our church neither taxes or assesses her members. How much more ready we should be to respond. **Stewardships** necessary to a healthy Christian life. The true order is (1) Worship (2) Paying (3) Doing. Paul warned against covetousness and classified covetousness along with murder and adultery. **Our stewardship should be open and above board. No true Christian will be ashamed of His Saviour or His fellow Christians. Why should there be any secret in church finance? Let us dignify church finance and raise the window of heaven for the blessings of God to come in through our faithful stewardship.**

BIRTHDAYS

Mrs. J. G. Roper will celebrate her 85th birthday on November 26th. Congratulations and best wishes.

Mr. Charles B. Bromley, father of Mrs. Robert T. Beck, and her aunt, Mrs. Mary H. Hildreth, have been visiting in our minister's home. Mr. Bromley is trustee in Old First Church in New Haven, Conn.

TURKEY AND BAZAAR

Don't forget the Turkey Supper and Bazaar, November 28th, 5 to 7 P.M. Adults, \$1.00, children, 50c. Supper will be served in the church basement. Bazaar will be held in the Children's Home.



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SUNDAY SERVICES—10:30 A.M.

SERMON: Where We Meet God.

So often we mistake the evidence of religion for religion itself. Perhaps this accounts for the fact that theology seems so important to some. Perhaps this is the reason that emphasis is many times put upon forms and ceremonies. We miss the heart of religion. So often the great are imitated, but too often it is their eccentricities that are copied and we miss the spirit that makes a man great. Do you believe that there might be a renaissance in New Testament religion if we could discover where we might consciously contact God? The power of God is everywhere evident from the atom to vast reaches of the universe. Men are using his power. How can we learn to appropriate His goodness. **Come to church this Sunday! Hear your minister on a great theme.**

FAMILY NIGHT DINNER 6:15 P. M.

Hon Henry P. Schrickler — special guest

RECEPTION COMMITTEE

Rev. and Mrs. Robert T. Beck, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Schell, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Campbell Mr. and Mrs. Owen Vaught, Mr. and Mrs. James Erwin.

The Former Governor of Indiana will speak at the **COMMUNITY OPEN FORUM AT 7:45 P. M.** He will deal with the Issues Confronting Our Day. This meeting is Open to the Public.

Mrs Madin of the Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra will give a short Cello recital, prior to the Open Forum. Invite Your Friends for this Great Evening.

Bring a covered dish. Loyal Reapers Class will be hostesses.

CHURCH SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.

Our attendance was up last Sunday — Increase it.
Bring your children with you.

EVANGELISTIC VISITATION

Scors of homes were visited last week in a concentrated effort in evangelism. Sundays ahead will see the results of this visitation when many splendid families will for the first time be connected with our great church. Many other valuable contacts were made.

● INTERNATIONALISM

Dr. T. Z. Koo, secretary of the World Student Christian Federation, and recently adviser to the Chinese delegation at the United Nations Conference in San Francisco, tells of the period when, though a layman, he served as pastor of a community church in Shanghai, the American and British pastors having been interned by the Japanese.

He describes the situation thus: "Here was an American church, with a Chinese as pastor, a Dane as chairman of the board, and nineteen nationalities in its membership, including Turks, Greeks, Germans, French, Japanese, Scandinavians, and Chinese, all bound together in the fellowship of the universal church, transcending the barriers of race, war, and nationality . . . Thus the Christian Church can supply the spiritual foundation upon which the international security organization can be built."



● PASTORAL TRAINING

Union Theological Seminary in Buenos Aires, Argentina, is an important center of interdenominational activities. Its students are received from all of South America except Brazil, where Portuguese is spoken instead of Spanish, and which has its own seminary. Students come even from Panama, which is farther from Buenos Aires than Boston is from Los Angeles.

In the annual pastors' institute held in July, more than a hundred pastors, representing seventeen Protestant denominations, gathered to study common problems and to find inspiration in their Christian fellowship.

The production and distribution of Christian literature has its focal point in the Seminary. Last year the Literature Committee of the National Christian Council edited about thirty new books.

The Seminary also sponsors a 96-page quarterly called "El Predicador Evangelico" (The Protestant Preacher) which circulates throughout Latin America.

● PROGRESS IN THE PHILIPPINES

Silliman University, important educational center of the Presbyterian Church of the U. S. A. at Dumaguete, Philippine Islands, has been reopened after more than three years of inactivity due to Japanese occupancy. Dr. Arthur L. Carson, the president, who was evacuated by submarine via Australia to the United States, is enroute to Manila.

It has been learned that not all the buildings were destroyed and several can be used; books that disappeared before the Japanese arrived, are coming out of hiding; and many faculty members have returned to Dumaguete after the years of hiding behind guerilla lines.



● A HOME FOR BABIES

During last year our Christian Hospital at Damoh, India, under Dr. Elizabeth Lutz, developed a baby home as a new service. Here care was given to babies abandoned or left orphans. As soon as a child is brought to health and sturdiness, someone is waiting to adopt him, thus making room in the home for another needy child.



● LEPROSY

The American Mission to Lepers estimates that there are 10,000,000 victims of leprosy throughout the world at the present time, and hopes that its five-year post-war program will generate a worldwide interest in the struggle against this disease.

An anti-leprosy program is planned, requiring a total expenditure of \$500,000 over and above the Mission's regular work. It will be aimed primarily at prevention of the dreaded disease.

In China, for instance, centers will be established at Chengtu, Canton, and Tsinan, where natives will be trained in anti-leprosy work.



Praise God
From Whom All
Blessings Flow

Christ gives the best.

He takes the hearts we offer

And fills them with his glorious beauty,

Joy and peace.

And in His service as we're growing stronger

The calls to grand achievements e'er increase.

*The richest gifts for us, on earth or in heaven
above,*

*Are hid in Christ. In Jesus we receive the
best we have.*

—Anonymous.

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WE HONOR THOSE WHO MADE VISITATION WEEK A SUCCESS

Visitors: W. C. Birkhold, Chairman, Kenneth Sefton, Owen Vaught, C. F. Durfee, E. R. Baker, L. Childers, Joe W. Clark, D. Parkerson, Hugh Rice, C. Mannan, F. Wayne Rousseau, R. T. Beck, Mrs. W. C. Birkhold, Mrs. Wm. Hilbish, Mrs. H. W. Sigrist, Mrs. Gertrude Sutton, Mrs. A. R. Richardson, Arza Smith, J. J. McCarel, Mrs. Wm. Crouse, Miss Janet Thompson, M. C. Halleck, Mrs. C. B. Whitman, Miss Pearl Heidecker, Mrs. C. F. Durfee, Mrs. E. R. Baker, Mrs. David Hogg, Mrs. R. T. Beck, Gene Fitch, Wm. Crouse, P. Simonton, Don Eyer, K. V. Lytle, Raymond Martin, Clayton Yoquelet, Fred Smell, Lt. G. B. Hunt, Cecil Rice, Mrs. Frank Worrell, Mrs. John Leikauf, Mrs. A. R. Shockey, Mrs. Dale Hiler, Mrs. H. W. Sigrist, A. W. Davis, Glenn R. Miller, L. M. Childers, H. G. Hiler.

Those who were hostesses at the dinners: Martha Circle, Rachel Circle, Naomi Circle. With the following ladies serving: Mrs. C. D. Diltz, Mrs. M. Kimble, Mrs. F. Virts, Mrs. Wm. Coblenz, Mrs. Ray Woodhull, Mrs. Herschel Bailey, Mrs. Don Eyer, Mrs. O. G. Schell, Mrs. E. H. Stodden, Mrs. A. R. Richardson, Mrs. Frank Worrell, Mrs. J. W. Miller, Mrs. J. Z. Berlein, Mrs. C. W. Winfield, Mrs. David Hogg.

World Call

The special Christmas rate for World Call is \$1.00 for one year if the subscription is sent in between November 1st and December 31st, 1945. Give your subscription to Mrs. Charles Dare, 115 E. Masterson, Phone H-15005.

Harvest Ingathering

Netted for the Emily Flinn Home, 19 cans vegetables, 46 cans fruit, 12 jars of spread, 2 pks. potatoes, 2 sheets, 1 bed pad and \$9.87 in cash. 48 attended the Council meeting at Marion. Miss Harter wishes to thank all those who made the day the happy day it was, and she wishes especially to thank the ladies for the bedding and food.

Family Night

The Loyal Reapers Class will be the hostesses for Family Night, November 25th. Carry-in dinner at 6:15. Coffee, rolls and butter will be furnished. Bring your own table service.

THE GREEN FLOWER ENVELOPE

The question has been asked many times, "What is the purpose of the Green Flower Envelope and for what is the money used". The money is used to purchase flowers for members at the time of death. Also, when occasionally, flowers are needed for the Pulpit, they are purchased from this fund.

CHURCH FINANCES — THEIR FUTURE

In 1940 the savings of the American public approximated \$4,000,000,000. In 1944, they topped \$39,000,000,000. What is the church's fair share? New refrigerators, deep freezers, electric ranges, radios, televisions, washing machines, ironing machines and scores of other items will compete for your dollars, and for those who feel not the high value of religion, things will absorb their spending. G. I. Joe comes home in much better condition than Sammy in the last war. G. I. Joes will average \$700 in bonds, \$300 discharge bonus, and for almost all of them there will be a good job running better than \$150 per month. Mr. and Mrs. America, who are truly Christian, will be planning big things for their church.

Turkey Supper and Bazaar

The Turkey Supper, served in the basement dining room, and the Bazaar, to be in the **Social Room** of the church instead of the Children's House, November 28th, from 5 to 7 p. m. Adults \$1.00, children 50c. Must have your reservations by November 24th. All project chairmen have tickets and Christmas cards for sale.

Work at everything you do with all your hearts, as work done not for men only, but for the Lord. . . . Think of Christ as the master you are working for.—Col. 3:23-25.



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SUNDAY IS WOMAN'S DAY

SERVICES 10:30 A.M.

Rev. George Oliver Taylor, head of the Department of Education of the United Christian Missionary Society, will be the guest speaker at the morning's service. Subject, "Expanding Horizons."

This service on Sunday morning is given over to the Woman's Council. The offering received will be given to the women for their missionary goals. Bring your Woman's Day envelope and drop in regular offering plate.

Special Music — Our Women will participate in the program.

MEN'S FORUM 6:15 P.M.

All men who are members or friends of the First Christian Church are cordially invited. Our own men will act as waiters. Every man, who comes, is made to feel at home.

Professor J. R. Mitchell of Purdue University is the guest speaker. Professor Mitchell is former head of the Indiana Teacher's Association. He has been unusually active in church affairs. Has been an elder and faithful member of the Christian Church for years. He is a most effective speaker.

Roanoke Men's Choir will bring a number of stirring songs.

Owen Vaught will lead the organization in group singing.

Alexander M. Chapbell, president, will preside over a brief business session.

Clay Orchard, Vice-president, **Kenneth Lytle**, Secretary and **John Davis**, treasurer, will function as officers for the first time at this meeting.

MEN! MEN! DON'T MISS THIS GREAT EVENING OF FELLOWSHIP!

This is your meeting!

The Dorcas Circle will prepare the dinner for our men.

The Dinner will be 45c per plate.

Your Church Calls You to Worship Sunday

***"Oh give thanks unto the Lord; For He is good;
For His lovingkindness endureth forever."***



LET US THANK GOD FOR:

- The peace among the nations of the world.
- The fertile earth yielding an abundant harvest of good things.
- The light of the human intellect in search for knowledge and truth.
- The love and mercy in the human heart expressing goodwill in deeds of kindness.
- The strength to bear sorrow and disappointment without faltering.
- The courage to follow an ideal with steady purpose and unafraid.
- The faith and hope in the soul of man that guides him through the blackest night.
- The fellowship of man with man—mind with mind, and heart with heart.
- The vision of one world in equality, justice, and righteousness for all men.
- The purpose and will to create through love the universal brotherhood.
- The light of His countenance and the presence of His spirit through every day.

To be alive in such an age!
With every year a lightning page
Turned in the world's great wonder-book
Whereon the leaning nations look;
Where men speak strong for brotherhood
For peace and universal good. . . .

Fling forth thy sorrow to the wind
And link thy hope with mankind:
Breathe the world-thought, do the world-deed,
Think highly of thy brother's need. . . .
Give thanks and clasp thy heritage—
To be alive in such an age!

—Angela Morgan.

***Our heavenly Father, we thank Thee for every good which Thou has bestowed.
Help us to be sensitive to Thy presence in the world. We commit ourselves and all
we claim as ours to Thee. Use us, we humbly pray, in the task of creating an abiding
unity and peace among men. May Thy kingdom of love hastily come on earth. In
Christ's name. Amen.***

—CONTRIBUTED BY RILEY B. MONTGOMERY.

*TO GIVE THANKS
UNTO THE
LORD*



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WOMAN'S COUNCIL

The DORCAS group will meet with Mrs. J. F. Davis, 2946 Plaza Drive, Thursday, December 6th, at 2 p. m. There will be a 25c gift exchange.

The MARTHA group will have a birth-day luncheon at 12:30 Wednesday, December 5th, at the home of Mrs. Edward Kirby, 3420 S. Broadway. The group will have a Christmas program. Little Miss Carol Skove will sing for us.

The NAOMI group will have a Christmas Exchange, Wednesday, December 5th, at the home of Mrs. C. W. Winfield, 1001 Columbia.

The ESTHER group will meet with Mrs. J. S. Irwin, 901 Third St., Wednesday, December 5th. There will be a Christmas exchange.

The RACHEL group will meet with Mrs. O. G. Schell, 3010 South Lafayette St., for a carry-in luncheon at 12:30. There will be a Christmas gift exchange.

The RUTH group will meet with Mrs. C. F. Durfee, 1018 College St., Tuesday at 2:15. There will be a Christmas story and gift exchange.

HAVE YOU BEEN MARRIED OVER EIGHT YEARS?

This Notice Is For You

All young married people are asked to meet at the Sunday School hour to form a new Sunday School Class in our Church School. This Sunday, 9:30 A.M.

OFFICIAL BOARD

The Official Board meeting will be postponed until Wednesday, December 12th, at the usual hour.

ORCHIDS TO—

The Loyal Reaper Class for the fine manner in which they served our great family night dinner last Sunday evening.

The Woman's Council for their turkey dinner and bazaar—and for their program for Woman's Day.

MEN'S FORUM

Last month the Elders acted as waiters. This month the waiters will be composed of the heads of our colonies who are: E. R. Baker, Martin Kimble, C. D. Palmer, Collins Mannan, E. N. Schlatter, P. H. Somers, Powell Simon-ton, H. G. Hiler, Orville Miller, Joe W. Clark, Arthur Davis, William Crouse, Clay Orchard, Bert Leversee and Luther Childers.

ILLNESS

Mrs. J. G. Roper, 3134 Broadway, has been returned to her home from the hospital. She may have visitors.

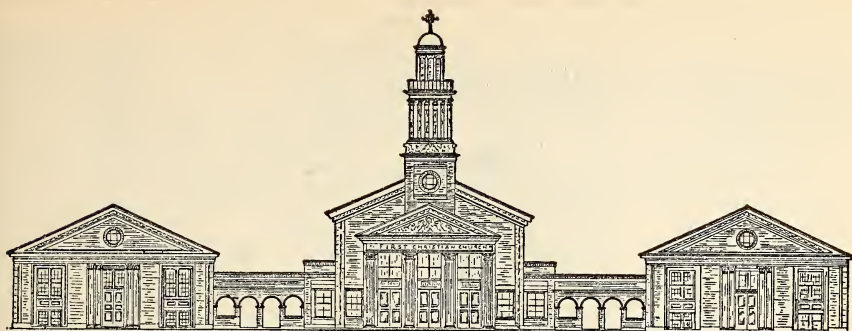
CONCERN

Raymond Martin suffered severe injuries that required surgical operation when he was injured last Wednesday. He is still in a serious condition. Although a comparatively new member, Mr. Martin and his wife, son and daughter have been among our most loyal members. The best of good wishes go out to Mr. Martin.

OUR CHURCH CONTINUES TO GROW

Our evangelism group continues to carry on. Many new members are to be received in the next Sundays. If you know those who should be members, now is a good time to speak to them. Others will be coming from Sunday to Sunday. Any names for calls may be given to W. C. Birkhold, C. F. Durfee, E. R. Baker, Owen Vaught, the minister, or you can telephone information to the church office. In this everyone can do his share. Keep praying and working for the continued growth of our church, work and pray for finer spiritual living among our own people.

Make our 75th Year Our Greatest Year. Now is the time to make a new pledge or step up your old pledge. **Make 1946 the greatest year in our Church.**



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SUNDAY IS BIBLE SUNDAY

Aside from the Roman Catholic Church, almost all churches in America will observe this Sunday as Bible Sunday.

If one is familiar with church history and the history of social movements, he is aware of the upsurge of the common man when the Bible has been made available to the people. When the gospel story and the epistles began to be circulated in the first centuries, the church grew in strength, numbers and power. When the Bible was translated into German, and into the English language, the common man asserted his rights as a human being; with the coming of the printing press and with the printing of the scriptures, the religious world was deeply stirred. When the Campbells, Barton Stone and Walter Scott put a new emphasis on the Bible and Bible interpretation so that the common man could read and understand the Scriptures, new interest was born and the Movement of the Disciples of Christ grew by leaps and bounds. This summer in Mexico I heard the head of the Salvation Army in that country, Alejandro Gusman call the Bible the real Atomic Bomb. He ought to know for he reported then that three million copies of Gospel portions had been distributed into the homes of Mexico and there is a great movement for teaching the citizens of Mexico to read.

**AS A PEOPLE WE OUGHT TO BE IN CHURCH ON BIBLE SUNDAY
WORSHIP 10:30 A.M.**

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ARE WE KIDDING OURSELVES?

Our scientists say, as they listen to the furore among the politicians over the atomic bomb and our sharing it with Russia, that we are **kidding ourselves**. One scientist said (an A-Bomb expert) "If the Russians haven't an A-bomb yet, it's because they are working on a bigger and better one."

We need a real set of values. If we think these will come in an indifferent and irreligious country, we are kidding ourselves. Yale University is setting up a full new department of religion. Why? Because after careful study, they see this as the only way to inculcate a sense of real values. If we think the world will be saved by great armies, navies, and atomic bombs we are kidding ourselves.

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● MINISTRY TO MIGRANTS



Mr. Samuel Rocha, for six years pastor of the Mexican Christian Church, Robstown, Texas, spent this summer working as a pastor to Spanish-speaking migrants. He went with them from state to state as they followed the harvest seasons.

In one Indiana county he visited 300 Spanish-speaking migrants, holding simple worship services and Bible studies for two or three families gathered wherever it was possible—in groves, barn lots, etc. Because the children of the

migrants have no opportunity to attend school, he also holds classes to teach reading and writing at whatever time can be provided. Some adults attend such classes.

Mr. Rocha came into the fellowship of Disciples of Christ in Monterrey, Mexico, where we had a mission church and school. He trained for the Christian ministry and served as pastor of our church at San Luis Potosi, then at Aguascalientes, Mexico, before coming to the United States.



MISSIONARIES TO THE FIELDS

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Reynolds and son, Roger, returned to India after a regular furlough, to begin their 18th year of service.

Mr. and Mrs. William D. Hall and son, David, have sailed for their first term in India. The war has forced them to remain in the states, but they have been serving in Livingston Academy, Livingston, Tennessee, in the meantime.

Mr. Paul D. Kennedy has returned to the Philippine Islands, without his family, for an indefinite period to aid our churches as they work out their program for the future. The Kennedys were missionaries in the Philippines from 1922 to 1932.

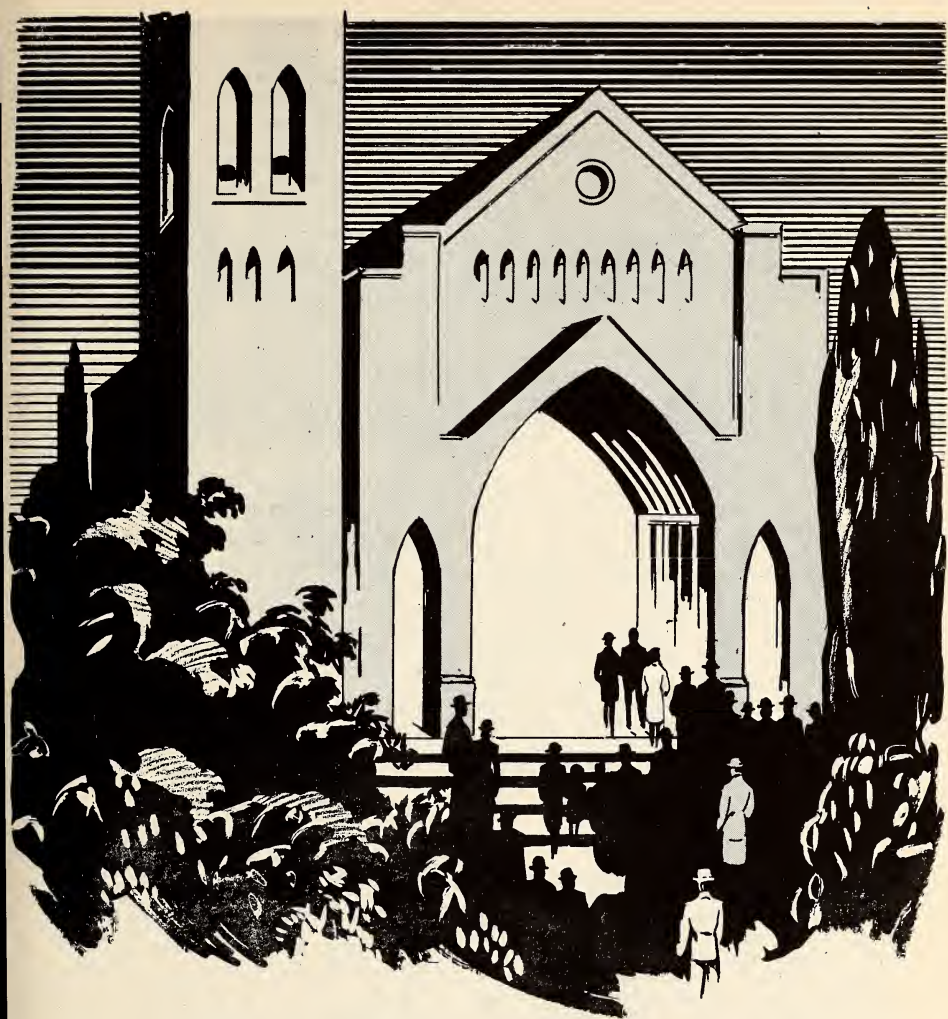
Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Henderson have arrived in Congo to take up their medical mission service, after interruption by the war, disaster, and internment in Germany.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Q. Adams and daughter have completed the first part of their trip to Paraguay where they will do evangelistic work, particularly in the rural sections. They are now in school in Medellin, Colombia, for special study.

Dr. Dorothea and Miss Wilhemina Macdougall have sailed for India, their childhood home, to begin missionary service. They are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Macdougall who gave twenty-nine years to that field.

Miss Agnes Rogers, a nurse, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cardwell, and Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Lewis, all new missionaries, have sailed with **Miss Gertrude Shoemaker,** returning after a year of furlough, to Congo.

Dr. and Mrs. Donald Rice and daughter, have gone out to India, where he was born. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray E. Rice who were a part of our Mission there from 1914 to 1933.



*I Was Glad When They Said Unto Me
"Let Us Go To The House of The Lord."*

—Psalms 122:1.

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If we think we can have a law abiding community and an environment where our young people can develop into the best possible persons, with an adult citizenship that is indifferent and occasionally interested in the church and religious living, we are kidding ourselves.

Are you interested in this word kidding? In the above instances it most likely means that we are making goats of ourselves.

READ CAREFULLY: Germans are crowding churches of all denominations in a great religious revival of great proportions. Now that Nazi restrictions on the churches no longer exist. Plans for rebuilding are under way. Attendance at worship service has increased 30 to 40 per cent and is 50-80 per cent higher than pre-war days.

LET HIM THAT HATH EARS, HEAR WHAT THE SPIRIT SAITH UNTO THE CHURCHES.

YOUNG MARRIED PEOPLE

Those who have been married more than eight years need not read this. All others who are married are cordially invited to be present at the Class which meets at 9:30 a.m. Sunday morning. Mr. Byron McCammon will lead the lesson. Mrs. Don Eyer will preside.

THIS IS THE YOUNGER GROUP'S CLASS. MAKE IT GO BIG! IT IS NEW. IT IS INTERESTING. IT IS FUN. DON'T MISS BEING PRESENT.

OFFICIAL BOARD

The Official Board will meet Wednesday evening, December 12th at 7:45 p.m. at the Church.

CHURCH SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.

PROGRESSIVE CLASS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Progressive Class will have a Pot luck dinner at the Church, Friday, December 14th at 6:30. Bring two covered dishes, sandwiches and your table service. There will be a 25c gift exchange. Please mark your own child's gift.

WOMAN'S COUNCIL

The Evening Guild of the Woman's Council will enjoy a Christmas dinner meeting at the home of Mrs. Edwin Geerken, 3420 S. Broadway, Monday evening, December 10th at 6:15 p.m. Mrs. Geerken will be assisted by Miss Fay Woodhull. Members are asked to bring miscellaneous greeting cards to be sent to the Emily Flinn Home at Marion.

DEAN CHARLES R. BROWN OF YALE:

Says: "Thirty years ago, I was induced by a thoughtful layman, in my first parish to inaugurate the habit of **giving a tenth**. My salary was only a thousand dollars a year and to give away **one hundred of it** seemed to make a big hole in it. But when the decision was once made I was amazed to find out how much more I could give and did give than when it was all left to mood and impulse. The habit of strictly keeping the tenth account would reveal a narrow soul and a meagerness in benevolent output. Were complete record kept many who think that they are giving a great deal because they give often, here a little and there a little, would be amazed at the lack of proportion between their personal expenditures and accumulations and their benevolences."

Man needs divine help most when he doesn't feel the need for help.

—Baptist Messenger.



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SUNDAY WORSHIP SECOND SUNDAY IN THE ADVENT 10:30 A.M.

Sermon: **Are You Afraid of Communism?**

Among the fears that are haunting many people today is the fear of Communism. Does Communism mean Russia? And Russia to many people, who are thoughtful, means dictatorship, the surrender of our liberty and our rights. Every institution is the fruitage of an idea. And there must be environment or ideas cannot bring forth fruit.

What can we believe about Communism?

Our minister will occupy the pulpit this Sunday. On this second Sunday in the Advent hear our minister deal with this subject, its Christian implications; experience the individual uplift that many are receiving in our reverent and thoughtful periods of worship each Sunday.

PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS?

Shall we take Christmas as it comes or shall we prepare for it? Obviously the more we prepare for it the more it will take on meaning for ourselves and for our household. Our preparing for Christmas can be a very selfish thing. We can make out our list and measure our gifts by the measure of our expectancy. Even when we seem very unselfish, we can be very materialistic. We can get in step with the army of shoppers and our mind can be cluttered with packages of things. The market says prepare early for Christmas; do your Christmas shopping early.

Then we may color our feeling and say as Mr. Pinch Penny says, "I don't want anything and so I won't give anything either. This is foolishness the giving of presents that nobody wants."

Surely there is another way to prepare for Christmas. We can see Christmas as Christian. We can achieve something of the spirit of the First Christmas. Of course we shall want to give gifts. But our hearts will be with the gifts we offer, offer not only to those whose names appear on the presents but to Him invisible whose name, also, is unseen only to those who know truly our feelings.

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● A VITAL TASK

During the summer vacations of our Mission schools in India this year, twenty-eight young people made their way back to the station of Kotmi, fourteen miles out from Pendra Road. Among these were three teachers, two teachers in training, two nurses, six boys and one girl from high school, besides the younger folk who had been attending Sumankhetan in Pendra Road, the Boys' School at Damoh, and the Girls' School in Mungeli.

These young people have their problems. Many of them walked out to Kotmi from Pendra Road and back — fourteen miles. Some rode in ox carts, others had bicycles. The matter of support in school is an anxiety. In some cases a brother or a sister helps. In others the parents make sacrifices to meet the need. Some fees must be provided aside from what the Mission does for its young people. Some of the children are orphans who must depend on the Mission entirely for their education and care.

One young man, son of a farmer, had just finished the Christian high school in Jubbulpore and will teach in the Kotmi schools. He will support his younger brother in Damoh and a sister at Sumankhetan this year.

One of the tasks of the church in India is to provide means of education for boys and girls, and to encourage and assist those who have ability along lines of definite service in the church or in society.

● CONTRASTS

Mr. and Mrs. R. Q. Adams, en route to their mission field in Paraguay, have stopped in Medellin, Colombia, to study the Spanish language and to take other courses to aid them in their service. They hope to do work in rural areas of Paraguay.

Writing from Medellin, Mr. Adams tells something of that city:

"Upon our arrival we became conscious that we were strangers and foreigners. It seemed that everyone spoke Spanish except ourselves. A few spoke English. Hearing a strange language makes us realize the purpose of our coming to Colombia. We are to learn Spanish that we might more effectively work for our Christ.

"As seen from the air, Medellin is a beautiful city of reds, yellows, blues, whites, and various shades of each. The red tiled roofs are seen against white and gray walls. Here and there a red or blue or pink wall can be seen breaking the monotony of red tile. Medellin is a clean city in which the old and the new are joined to make a thing of beauty and interest.

"On one narrow street, a person may see a trackless trolley, a new automobile, a high wheeled cart drawn by a small horse, a barefooted woman with a bundle on her head; and overhead he may hear the roar of a plane taking off for Bogota or Barranquilla."



● PARAGUAY PROGRESS

We have recently baptized four young people. In a few weeks we hope to have another class in preparation for church membership. Attendance in the Spanish church service is averaging about forty-five. There is a good choir both for the Spanish and for the English services. The Sunday school averaged 74 in attendance for the month of August. The young people's society is very promising, with about 25 in it. This society is promoting a union Sacred Song Concert of Evangelical church young people, to be held in our church the middle of October. I feel very hopeful about the church as I watch this group grow.

—Malcolm Norment.



EVERYONE who calls upon the name of the Lord will be saved. But how are they to call upon him if they have not believed in him? And how are they to believe him if they have never heard him? And how are they to hear unless someone preaches to them?

—Romans 10:13, 14.

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OUR CHURCH IS SUGGESTING RELIGIOUS BOOKS for Christmas. We hope this Sunday to have copies of "How To Observe Christmas", and "Thoughts of God" for boys and girls. See these books. Buy them for your home and for Christmas gifts. Religious books are appreciated at Christmas time. Include at least one lovely Christmas book for your children. They are inexpensive and beautiful.

NEW HYMNALS

The new hymnals, to be sold, are here. Those wanting one of these books for their home, please call the office. The books are \$1.45 each.

1946 CHURCH ENVELOPES

The Church envelopes for 1946 will be ready and out on tables at the rear of the Church Sunday, December 16th, and for three consecutive Sundays. Please make a special effort to pick yours up when you are here for services. **If you do not find yours on the tables, please call the office on Monday at noon.** We will see that there is a box reserved for you.

IN YOUR WILL REMEMBER THE CHURCH

We knew a family who called the minister into the home to announce to him, "We do not want what we have worked hard to save to be dissipated by ungrateful people. We are going to leave a reasonable amount of what we have accumulated to relatives, but we would not be fair to leave the church which has done so much for us out of the picture. So, here is our will and the church will share generously in what we have.

And there are others to follow in this path—a good way to make your influence count on this earth both now and forever.

OUR CHURCH SCHOOL MEETS AT 9:30 A.M.

**MAKE IT A POINT TO BE PRESENT
THIS SUNDAY. COME ON TIME.**

WOMEN'S COUNCIL

The Executive committee will meet at 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, December 18th. The General Council will meet at 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 18th. Mrs. Robert Beck will have charge of the program. Miss Jeanne Hirsch will give readings: "The Spirit of Christmas" and "In the Trenches."

CHRISTIAN BUILDERS

The older young people have organized a new group called the "C B's", (Christian Builders). The purpose of this group is to promote Christian Fellowship in the church.

The C B's will have a Christmas Party, December 22nd.

LOYAL REAPERS

The Loyal Reapers will have a Christmas Party at the home of Miss Flora Gilmore, 1006 Taylor St., Friday evening, December 14th. Bring a 25c gift exchange. Miss Fay Woodhull will be the assistant hostess.

WHY SHOULD I ATTEND CHURCH

Because I promised God and the church that I would do so when I joined.

Because church attendance is important to the very existence of the church.

Because the home and the church are the two most vital institutions in community life.

Because my family and friends know that I belong to my church.

Because it is by my presence that my pastor knows that I honor, appreciate, respect and love him.

Because church attendance enriches my personality and I want to live at my best.

Because Jesus felt the church was so important that He gave His life for it.



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This year we shall observe the first Christmas in the Atomic age. This age needs to hear messages from God. The first Christmas was in a period of war lords, treachery and intolerance and religious bigotry. Amazed listeners heard tidings and saw visions of the prophetic message of Peace on Earth, good will to men.

There is great need today for this heavenly message. There is Peace for each of us if we can accept the Savior as Christ and Lord. The World hesitates and keeps humanity in fear and suspense. So far the world has refused to go the whole way and let "the Government be upon His shoulder."

The hope for this atomic age is that Jesus may be our "Councillor, the mighty Prince of Peace." No other is equal to our extremity. Surely our obligations are clear this Christmas. We must make the Lordship of Jesus totally effective.

We can begin it on this Christmas day. In the dear intimate relations among our loved ones, in our homes, in our work, we can choose Christ and His Way, His peace.

May this mind be in you, "which was in Christ Jesus, our Lord." And may the joy, mercy and peace of a Christian Christmas abide with you all.

MR. AND MRS. ROBERT TALMAGE BECK
AND MARTHA JEANNETTE.

TWO YEARS ON CHRISTMAS SUNDAY

Our pastor will have been with us two years this next Sunday. Many feel that God has been with First Christian membership these days. We have gone through the war, our membership has increased around two hundred with over twenty who have signed cards to come in the church in the near future.

Over \$46,000 has been raised in all departments of the church. Our Church is planning for great works in the next years with the help of God. Our Expansion Committee will submit a report in the early part of 1946.

A Christmas Meditation

WENONA WILKINSON

"Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem, there came wise men, saying, Where is he . . . for we have seen his star in the east and have come to worship him."



"Men travel by a thousand roads
But once a year an ancient question comes,
Is this the road that leads to Bethlehem?"



We would see Jesus—The Jesus of Bethlehem, called Wonderful Counsellor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

We would know Jesus—Jesus The Word that became Flesh, filled with grace and truth.

We would follow Jesus along the difficult road that leads to Peace—going out to teach all nations:

That there is a peace which the world cannot give,
That there is but one great law to guide mankind—"Love one another"—yea, even your enemy,
That treasure may not be hoarded but must be shared,
That the desire for the coming of a Kingdom of Love must be greater than any selfish desire,
That only through individuals can that great Kingdom come with peace on earth and good will for all men.



Our Father, awaken our spirits to the strong conviction that it is only through ourselves that peace may come and again the song of the angels be heard by a listening world. "O, clothe Thy spirit yet again in human clay," is the prayer of our hearts. Amen.



On Earth Peace

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THIS SUNDAY

Morning Worship10:30

Christmas Sermon: Restore Our Soul.

Special Music—Beautifully decorated Church. Reception and Invitation for new members. Blessing of the Children.

A Service You Will Long Remember

SUNDAY EVENING

5:30 p.m. Carry-In Dinner—Responses about the table on Two Years.

Dale Parkerson, presiding. Responses from various departments of the church. Members of Progressive Class acting as hostesses. Short Program from the children of the Children's House. Christmas treats for our boys and girls. Beautiful Candle-light service in the Sanctuary. All over in good time so our children may be home early.

Whatever the weather—be present next Sunday.

NOTES

MISS VIRGINIA DARE is the director of the Children's Choir in the Children's House. It is hoped they may participate with us Sunday. Miss Gloria Waters is her pianist. We are anticipating great things from our Children's Choir.

The decoratoin of the church for Christmas Sunday is in charge of **Mrs. C. F. Durfee**. **Mrs. Walter Birkhold** is in charge of our **service for blessing the children**. Parents with babes who have not been in this service are invited to bring their children. A certificate is given and a memento is given to the mother. This document will be valuable for the child in years to come.

FRIENDLY BIBLE CLASS

The Friendly Bible Class will be taught by Mr. Hugh D. Rice, Sunday, December 23rd, his subject will be "Might is Right".

C.B.'s CHRISTMAS PARTY

The C.B.'s Christmas party will be at the home of Miss Henrietta Kissinger, 2223 California Ave., Saturday night, December 22nd, 8:00 p.m.,

HERE'S THE WAY SOME ARE SEEING IT

The following table lists approximate cost of contributions for taxpayers in different income brackets, assuming that each taxpayer is a married man with two children.

Col. 1—Adjusted Gross Income.

Col. 2—Max. Contribution Allowed as Deduction.

Col. 3—Net cost to Donors, percentage.

Col. 4—Dollars.

\$3,000	\$ 450	77	\$ 346
4,000	600	77	462
5,000	750	75	567
6,000	900	75	675
7,000	1050	71	775
8,000	1200	71	852
9,000	1350	67	954
10,000	1500	67	1025
15,000	2250	59	1357
20,000	3000	50	1540
25,000	3750	41	1672
35,000	5150	35	1852
50,000	7500	28	2200

Make checks payable to First Christian Church of Fort Wayne, Indiana.

"When thinking of your income tax

Don't be worried; just relax.

A tough nut! Yes, but you can crack it, Just drop into a lower bracket.

A check to the Church does the trick, Easy as that and twice as slick.

But do it now; you can't delay,

We'll soon be having New Year's Day,

And then, "Alas," you'll sadly state,

"I gave too little, and too late."

Blessed is the man who, having nothing to say, abstains from giving wordy evidence of the fact. —George Eliot.

The worst thing about crossing a bridge before you get to it is that it leaves you on the wrong side of the river.

And he, casting away his garment, rose, and came to Jesus.—Mark 10:50.



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NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

As we face this new year that dawns upon a world large portion of whose cities lie in waste, as clouds of war lift, our vision clears. We realize more deeply and our confidence is restored in the knowledge, that this earth, like a ship, has a pilot, a compass, a course and a haven.

We, the people of the earth, have mutinied. In our vanity, there were those who thought they could get control of the earth and set it in another course. In consequence our earth has been strewn with the dead, the dying and much wreckage.

In this new year may the peoples of the earth see the revelation of our Pilot in the beauty of nature, in the orderliness of the universe, in the presence of Creative Mind all about us, and in our very being.

In this year may we see what it means to be a victor without victims, and may we feel the strength of inner resources.

Beyond our power to dream may the Eternal open unknown avenues of peace. May we have the courage to live in the faith that behind man's best is a Power greater than man's best, and may we come into humble obedience to His will.

May the hope for peace and security for all mankind find a beginning in each of your hearts. May God make all your days of 1946 days of blessedness; and may the tests you are forced to meet and all the crises through which you may be called to pass end in high decisions. May 1946 be truly for you and yours a year of our Lord.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Talmage Beck
and Martha Jeannette.

Your Church Calls You to Worship Sunday

● "CHANGING OUR WORLD FOR CHRIST"

Immediately upon the close of school, the three-week conference for evangelists started here in Lotumbe. Many of the men walked as far as one hundred and twenty miles, carrying their possessions and provisions, to attend this meeting. Others came from farther distances in canoes.

It was a stirring scene, watching them come up the path singing their hymns — men, women, and children, laden with gourds, sleeping mats, chickens, earthen pots, etc. The same afternoon we stood on the high bank in front of our house and watched a fleet of canoes coming in, people singing hymns as they paddled.

We tried to plan the meetings to be of the greatest benefit to all. We want so much for them to gain a greater conception of their work and an ever-enlarging love for Jesus. The theme of our convention was "Changing Our World for Jesus."

The evangelists met every morning from 6:00 to 9:00. The first hour there was a sermon, then classes, with native teachers first and afterwards with missionaries. (There are only three of us.) The rest of the day was used for conferences with each individual teacher, checking his work and offering, finding the number of new members, and taking count of those who had died.

We had a new song for the convention, written by a native teacher. It was "Changing Our World for Christ."

—*Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Whitmer.*



● FRANCE NEEDS PASTORS

Everywhere among French Protestants, when one inquires about the church's greatest need, the answer is the same. The need is for preachers. French ministers were subject to the draft and were inducted into service. Others were put into concentration camps and lost their

lives there. Still more lost their homes, their household goods, their libraries, and other possessions.

The average French Protestant minister today is an admirable, yet somewhat pathetic figure, carrying on amidst unusual difficulties, but carrying on. And without exception, they will speak with pride of the place the Protestant church had in the movement of resistance during the deadening days of Nazi occupation.

—*George W. Buckner, in World Call.*



● IN THE PHILIPPINES

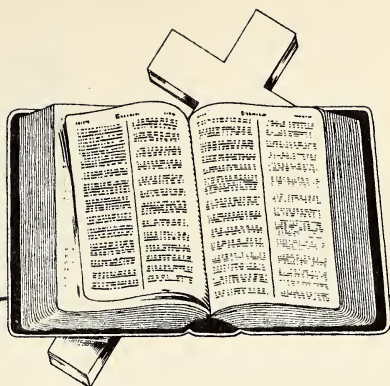
Joseph M. Smith, who remained in the Philippines after liberation from the Japanese prison camp in Manila, made a trip to various sections of the main island of Luzon early in the summer. He found some churches had been severely damaged by the war and the occupation by troops. Others had suffered less.

But in addition to the condition of buildings and equipment, Mr. Smith was able to report that during the years of the occupation, three new congregations had been organized, and 741 baptisms had been performed.

After E. K. Higdon arrived in the Philippines the last of July, another trip was made to those sections where we had work. He has now returned to make a report on property losses, personnel needed, types of work necessary, etc.

The Church of Christ at Pascuquin is one of those which remains in fairly good condition in spite of the war.





THE HEAVENS declare Thy glory, Lord,
In every star Thy wisdom shines;
But when our eyes behold Thy Word,
We read Thy Name in fairer lines.

—Isaac Watts.

HAPPIEST they of human race
To whom their God has given grace
To read, to fear, to hope, to pray,
To lift the latch, to force the way;
But better had they ne'er been born
That read to doubt or read to scorn.

—Sir Walter Scott.

FOR whatsoever things were written aforetimes were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.

—Romans 15:4.

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WELCOME

Into Our Beloved Church

It is a joy to welcome these fine Christian people into the fellowship of this church.

Mrs. L. L. Spake and her daughter **Miss Patricia Spake**. These good workers bring their membership to us from the church in Auburn.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Schrecongist and daughter, **Miss Donna May Schrecongost**. These people come back home to us after being out of the city for several years. Mr. Schrecongost has a splendid position in this city. We say, "Welcome home."

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Treager come to us from Great Fall, Montana Church. **Robert F. Treager** was received by baptism. He has recently been mustered out of the service. These people have already shown themselves to be real church people by their faithful attendance at church services.

Mrs. Alene Bedford comes to us from the Church in Marion. Mr. Bedford is connected with Colliers. Mrs. Bedford has a real interest in the church and expects to be an active worker.

Mr. E. M. Steen comes to us from the church at Columbus, Ohio. He has already many friends in the church. He has been a faithful worshipper in our church for many months.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Vaughn are welcomed back home in our church. Their many friends are delighted to have them with us again.

Mr. and Mrs. Mapel are loyal Disciples. Mr. Mapel operates several apartment houses. Mrs. Mapel has just recovered from a long illness. We are anticipating additional strength to our church in their coming.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Miller come to this church from Old Union in Posey County. We know they will have as happy and as friendly experience here as in Old Union and many more opportunities to do good.

Mrs. Virgil Trump comes to us from Warsaw. Her grandfather was one of the early members of this church and

was for fifty years a practicing physician in Warsaw and a pillar in that church. Mrs. Trump operates a school for crippled children.

Mr. Paul Clum comes to us with a good church background. Mr. Clum operates a grocery store on South Hanna Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay G. Wilkerson have been members of the Christian Church for many years. We are happy to have them in our church family. Mrs. Wilkerson is a teacher in the public schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul V. Evans come to us from Ohio. Mr. Evans is a conductor on the Pennsylvania Railroad. He has had little off time. Mr. Evans has a fine voice which we hope when business settles down to normal we may have the pleasure of hearing at church. Mr. and Mrs. Evans have lovely children in their home.

OUR CONCERN

Mr. C. F. Durfee has been confined to his home. We are glad to hear good reports of recovery.

Mr. Arza Smith underwent an operation. He is in St. Joseph Hospital and is doing nicely.

Raymond Martin is doing nicely, but will not be able to be at church for some time yet.

Miss Emma Dorris has suffered from influenza, but is better at this time.

Many of our people have been under the weather due to colds and influenza.

WOMAN'S COUNCIL

Members of groups, please call your leader for time and place of your January meeting.

The Dorcas group will postpone their meeting until January 10th.

200th NEW MEMBER

Martha Jeannette Beck

Martha Jeannette was baptized on Christmas day by her father and is the 200th new member received into the church since Brother Beck has become our pastor. We welcome Martha Jeannette into our church membership.



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Morning Worship — 10:30 A. M.

GUEST SPEAKER

Dr. Ralph Holland of Indianapolis, will deliver the sermon on Sunday morning. He is Secretary of the Indiana Council of Christian Education, and will bring a fine message to us. Let us all be present Sunday to hear Dr. Holland.

Church School — 9:30 A. M.

Classes with interesting and instructive lessons for all. Bring the whole family with you. Invite your friends.

Mens Forum — 6:30 P. M.

The Honorable James Ruffin, Special Assistant to Attorney General Clark, will address the Men's Forum at six-thirty P.M. Sunday evening. Mr. Ruffin is an interesting speaker and is entitled to a good audience. Alexander Campbell, President of the Men's Forum, will preside. All men of the Church are invited to attend. Guests will be most welcome.

1946

A New Year has dawned and with it a new opportunity. 1945 has been a most successful year in our church, and 1946 should be even more successful.

For the first time in many years, the coming of the New Year has seen the world at peace, and for the first time in history the New Year has seen the world powers making an honest effort to establish a lasting peace. The history of 1945 will live forever, and the challenge of 1946 is even greater. May 1946 be a year of happiness and progress in the lives of all.

Your Church Calls You to Worship Sunday

What We Owe and How to Pay It

By Thomas Kane

"Was not tithe paying a Mosaic and Jewish ritual law only, and hence abolished by Christ?"

No; no more than the law of the Sabbath. Abraham paid tithes hundreds of years before Moses was born. So did Jacob. So, it is fair to suppose, did all the patriarchs. So did the Phoenicians, the Egyptians, the Chaldeans and, in fact, all the nations and tribes of antiquity to their gods hundreds of years before the Jews had an existence. No fact in ancient history is better established than this. In giving the law to Moses the first mention of the tithe is the simple statement, "The tithe is the Lord's." Not shall be, but is, as it always had been, and it was at least twenty years after this before God directed that the Levites, his ministers, should be supported from it. It was still longer before the tithes mentioned in Deuteronomy xiv., 22-29, were instituted. These were clearly national and ritual, and expired with the Jewish economy, but the law of the "Tithe Terumoth," God's Tithe, did not expire and never will.

"Did Christ commend the law of tithing?"

Emphatically, yes. He said to the Pharisees referring to Judgment, Mercy and Faith: "These ought ye to have done and not (referring to tithing) leave the other undone." Can you find in His teachings any stronger language than this regarding the observance of the law of the Sabbath? Can you find any so strong?

"Is there any reason why our Saviour did not more strongly commend the law of the Sabbath as well as the law of the Tithe?"

So far as the records show, He never spoke of the Sabbath or the Tithe, except to the Pharisees and other Jews, who did not need teaching on either subject, except in the line of reproof for their observance of the form rather than the spirit of both laws.

"Do you mean to say that I should expect greater temporal prosperity if I scrupulously devote one-tenth of my income to the upbuilding and spread of Christ's Kingdom in the earth and that the remaining nine-tenths will go further in the support of those dependent on me than if I should try to keep all for my own use?"

Yes. That is a plain question in plain English, and I mean just that.

"Can you explain the reason?"

No; or at least not fully, and there are many more of God's laws

which no one can explain. Gravitation, for instance, or how vegetation grows, or how flowers are colored, or, to come nearer to the subject, I cannot explain why men and animals can do more and better work in one or five years working six days in a week and resting, doing nothing so far as work is concerned, every seventh day.

"Do not we and they need the rest?"

Certainly, but just now we are dealing with facts, not theories and reasons, and the facts are that it pays in temporal prosperity to observe the law of the Tithe, just as it does to observe the law of the Sabbath.

"Can you explain why we need the seventh of time for rest? Why not the tenth or the sixth?"

The seventh of time and the tenth of income, or "increase" as the Bible has it, belong to God in a special sense, and while we can work seven days in the week and keep it up for years, and we can keep tenths of all we make, we are poorer for it morally, physically and financially all the same.

"Are there not strictly business reasons that will at least partially account for the increased temporal prosperity of those who tithe their income?"

Yes. And yet it is hard to separate common sense and strict business matters and principles from God's laws; in fact, it cannot be done.

"Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." Tithing the income leads to system—is, in fact, system itself—and the harvest or reward of system in business, or labor, or farming, or professional life, is prosperity.

Tithing our income is a practical recognition of God's real ownership of our substance, and His blessing naturally follows such recognition. It is a practical acknowledgment also of the claims of Christ and humanity upon us, and human nature is swift to respond to such evidence of sincerity by hearty words of encouragement and helping hands. But these are results, not causes.

"Are there not other and deeper business reasons than these?"

Yes. You believe a thing is right. In other words, you believe it to be your duty and have faith in it. By doing the thing itself you step into the line of your faith and duty and you are at once and consciously a stronger, better and more self-reliant man. Your mind and heart broaden. Instead of receiving, you give favors, and you begin to realize the wealth of meaning in the Saviour's words, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

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Woman's Council

The Guild will meet Monday, January 14th, 1946 at 8:00 P.M. with Miss Erchie Owen, 1323 E. Pontiac St. There will be installation of officers.

The Dorcas group will meet with Mrs. Earl Moore, 3030 Alexander St., Thursday, January 10th, at 2:00 P.M. prompt.

The Esther group will meet with Mrs. A. L. Haddox, 1117 Sinclair St., Wednesday, January 9th.

The Ruth Group will meet with Mrs. J. C. Koegel, 1222 W. Jefferson St., Tuesday, January 8th.

SICK

Mrs. Cora Knowells, is a patient in St. Joseph Hospital, Room 415.

OUR MINISTER AND FAMILY

Take this opportunity to express their appreciation of the hundreds of cards which have come to them from friends in the church and community and for the many expressions of good will and kindness. Their hearts are moved by this assurance of Christian affection, interest and friendship.

\$105 TO A'QUASCALIENTES, MEXICO

Mrs. Frank Worrell reports \$105 to be sent to our Maternity Hospital in Aguascalientes. These total about 525 pesos in Mexican money and will do much for our hospital there.

CLOTHING FOR EUROPEAN RELIEF

Our Teen-agers are sponsoring a drive for good used clothing to be given for European Relief. Any one having clothing which they would like to give for the project please get in to the church during the next two weeks. Those unable to bring their bundle, who would like to have it picked up, please call either B. W. Leversee, H-37603 or Leonard Horn, A-58312. Let us do all we can to encourage our youth in this project.

War-Peace

Now man rules wrongly in his way,
But there shall come a better day;
Now nations roar and war and rage,
But God has promised a golden age.

Now nations threaten, hate—vindictive,
But one phase of God's Word—predictive;

And though man now in sin may rule,
God reigns on high—He over-rules.

And when God's clock strikes twelve—
on schedule,

Jesus shall come and set up His rule;
Over the whole world He shall reign—
There'll be no sin or war or pain.

O Lord God, hasten that promised Day,
When under Jesus' rule and sway,
The nations will not prepare for war,
But serve Thee in peace forevermore.
—Author Unknown.

Remember Jesus Christ

II Timothy 2:8

No matter who you are, my friend,
Protestant, Catholic, Jew—
Remember this and don't forget
That Jesus died for you!

You may have fallen for some cult
That's false as it can be!
Remember Jesus is the Truth,
And He can set you free.

Remember Jesus is "The Way"
To heaven and to God;
Remember that He died for you,
For you He shed His blood.

Remember Jesus is 'The Life'—
Eternal Life indeed;
The Life He won on Calvary's Cross
To meet your greatest need.

The Church can't save, nor plan of
man,
But Jesus saves alone!
Receive Him now as Saviour, Lord;
Your sins He did atone.

Author Unknown



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SUNDAY SERVICE

CHURCH SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.

WORSHIP SERVICE 10:10 A.M.

GUEST SPEAKER

The Rev. G. Bruce Cameron, Secretary of the Central District of the American Bible Society will be the guest speaker on Sunday, January 13th. Dr. Cameron is a minister of the Presbyterian Church. He was appointed by the Bible Society as Secretary for the Philippines and was active there for eleven years, directing Bible translation, printing and distribution. In his travels to and from the Orient, he has twice circumnavigated the globe. He is an experienced speaker and should merit our courteous attendance next Sunday morning.

KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK

In the next few weeks we will be privileged to hear several fine speakers, some of which have achieved national and international acclaim. That we have been able to secure such speakers is tangible evidence of the fine reputation our Church enjoys. Let us all help to maintain that reputation by being present every Sunday.

During the time Rev. Beck is away, it will be necessary to keep our church program running at top speed, and let no stone be unturned to see that this program is carried out to the fullest degree. There should be absolutely no let down during our Minister's absence for to do that would be to sacrifice many of the splendid accomplishments of the last two years.

DIAMOND JUBILEE

This year we will celebrate our Seventy-fifth Birthday. From a very small beginning seventy-five years ago, our church has grown to be one of the outstanding churches of Fort Wayne, and has become a mighty influence in this community.

A fitting celebration is now being arranged. A history of our church is being written, and here again we must ask your help. We are asking each person who knows of any incident or occasion in the history of our church to communicate such information to Mr. Henry Flower, Rev. Beck or Mr. A. O. Schell, so that such information may be included in our Church History. Any item no matter how small, may provide the necessary information to complete this tremendous task. Your co-operation in this matter is respectfully requested.

One Tract—Two Brothers

By One of the Brothers

"One day in the fall or winter of 1884, a young business man stood in front of his office in a certain little courthouse town in southeast Alabama, taking an early morning sunbath preparatory to entering upon the details of his day's work.

"From up the street came one of those well-known specimens of the genus homo, whom we all instinctively feel to love and honor—a country preacher. His tall, gaunt form was slightly bent with age, for many a preceding winter had left more or less of its snows amid his locks.

"Scarcely slackening his gait, he handed the younger man a little tract called 'What We owe and How to Pay It.' And with a kindly smile and a slight nod of greeting he simply said, 'Read that,' and continued his onward way.

"Thus did two of God's trains meet and pass each other on schedule time, at an obscure little station on the great railway of life. But we shall see.

"The young man went slowly into his office, holding the tract before him reading and soliloquizing as he went. 'What We Owe and How to Pay It.' That's just what I want to know, and if this will tell me, it hasn't hit me a minute too soon.' He spent from thirty minutes to an hour in a careful study of the tract and in that brief space of time a most natural thing occurred. Foundations, based upon the eternal truth of God's Word, were laid in his life, destined never to be destroyed.

"It was a tract on tithing, and the writer believes that no printed message within equal space limitations (excepting, of course, portions of the Bible itself) was ever so effective in straightening out the tangled thread of business, and pouring the relish of heart's ease and contentment over life's rugged bill of fare.

"And thus it was that the young man was grappled, as it were, with hooks of steel, and in his joy at being put in possession of this, one of the simplest and sweetest of all Bible doctrines, he ordered one hundred of the tracts for distribution. This story will include the history of just one of those tracts.

"In a distant part of the state, he had a younger brother, who had become involved in litigation. At the time this story opens he was 'heels over head' in debt to the lawyers and was facing a hopeless future, with a young and dependent family. To such a man at such a time came one of the one hundred tracts above mentioned.

"This younger brother was a merchant, and the very title of the tract appealed to him. In the unique little message he easily found providential guaranty, prearranged benevolence, cheerful giving, and temporal success. The tempter was, of course, on hand with his stereotyped suggestion to 'wait till all other debts were paid and then begin.' But this young business man had caught a glimpse of sunshine through rifted clouds, and there became a faithful tither. After more than a third of a century he is today in what business men call 'fine shape,' a merchant of almost unlimited credit in the commercial world. His tithe is no small item in the benevolences of the day, and those nearest to him believe that he would regard it as business suicide to discontinue tithing.

"A period of thirty-five years has been covered. Both the brothers have children who tithe and who, in turn, are teaching their little ones the blessed doctrine. Where will it all end? And who but God himself can at last announce the grand total?

"Many of us have heard of the old blacksmith, one of whose customers became dissatisfied over a bill for shoeing a horse. The old smith, good-naturedly, proposed a compromise. He said if the customer preferred he would let him off upon his paying one cent for the first nail, two cents for the second, four for the third, and so on, doubling on each nail till the thirty-two nails were paid for. To this apparent concession the customer readily agreed, but soon found, to his amazement, that there was not a bank on earth able to pay the bill.

"There is a fantastic or shadowy analogy—the old country preacher and so on to the end of time.

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"All the time I have been writing this tract, and now that it is finished, I have been hearing and yet do I hear, a still small voice of insistent pleading, which I long to leave in the heart and soul of him that hath ears and will hear: 'In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand, for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good.'"

It is plain to all that, had not the early Christians set aside one day in seven for the worship and service of God, and resolutely abstained from their ordinary work upon that day, Christianity would never have become one of the great world religions. It grows equally clear to me that were the Christians, along with the devotion of one-seventh of their time to the Lord, to set aside also one-tenth of their net income for His service the world would be speedily evangelized.—Bishop J. W. Bashford.

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GENERAL COUNCIL

The General Council will meet Tuesday afternoon, January 15th. Executive meeting will be at 1:15 p.m. the regular program will begin at 2:15. Mrs. Ray Woodhull, will speak, her topic will be "Africa". Mr. Wm. Hilbish will give the devotions.

HIGH SCHOOL C.Y.F.

The High School C.Y.F. will meet next Sunday evening at 5:30. A Dine-A-Mite supper will be served for 15c. Following the supper, a social hour, with ping-pong and shuffle board, will be enjoyed. The program of the evening will begin at 6:30 and will be led by Leonard Horn. The meeting will close at 7:30.

EUROPEAN RELIEF

The Youth of our church are sponsoring the collection of good and used clothing for European relief. Call Leonard Horn, A-58312, or, B. W. Leversee, H-37603, if you have anything to contribute. The young people will inspect the garments, making all necessary small repairs so that the clothing will be in the best of condition for use in Europe. Let us do all that we can to help this project.

THE EVENING GUILD

The Guild will meet Monday, January 14th, with Miss Ernie Owen, 1323 E. Pontiac St., at 8:00 p.m. The installation of officers will be in charge of Mrs. Lillian Scott. The new officers are: Miss Elaine Jones, President; Mrs. Lynn Miller, Vice-President; Miss Elsie Kieth, Secretary, and Miss Ernie Owen, Treasurer.

CHRISTIAN BUILDERS, C.Y.F.

In future the Christian Builders will meet on Sunday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Please NOTE CHANGE IN TIME.

ANNUAL REPORTS

Will the organized groups in Church and Church School, please get their 1945 reports into the office in the next few days. This will enable the secretary to compile them and get them ready for the Annual Meeting. Thank you.

OF COURSE WE GIVE! BUT SO DID THEY

1. The Willing Giver — Abraham in the offering of his son.

2. The Big Little Giver — the widow who in giving two mites gave most of all.

3. The Givers Who Were Not Niggardly — the Macedonians, who gave up to their ability and beyond.

4. The Unpretentious Giver — the Good Samaritan, who made no show of his giving.

5. The Sacrificial Giver — David, who in buying the threshing floor of Araunah would not give to the Lord that which had cost him nothing.

6. Givers Who Had Nothing to Give — Peter and John: "Silver and gold have I none," but gave themselves.

7. The Covetous Givers — Ananias and Sapphira, who held back a part and suffered dire penalty.

8. The First Givers — the Wise Men, who came from the heathen world.

9. The Giver Who Did Not Count the Cost — Mary, who gave lavishly of the gifts of love.—Roy E. Miller in Watchman-Examiner.

VISION OF TRUTH

Today we work and pray for a world of freedom of speech and religion, freedom from fear and want. But without the vision of the Truth which Christianity offers, we could not have the perspective, faith, and power to make the vision real in a world of destruction and disillusionment.

—Paul Bock.



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SUNDAY SERVICE

CHURCH SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.

WORSHIP SERVICE 10:10 A.M.

GUEST SPEAKER

Mrs. Mae Yoho Ward from the United Christian Missionary Society, Indianapolis, will be our guest speaker Sunday, January 20th. Please make a special effort to get out to hear Mrs. Ward. You will find her very worth while and, her message, interesting.

OUR BEST An Editorial

How often have we heard someone say, "The Best Is None Too Good For Me." These words have been spoken so often, that they are accepted as a part of our way of life. To want the best of everything is an accepted human trait. It is the basis of all ambition, and the cause of disappointment. It has been the cause of wars, and the result of peace. It is a valuable asset, and a dangerous commodity. It is a foundation of selfishness and a basis of satisfaction.

Naturally we want the best of everything, for ourselves, our families, and our friends, although those nearest and dearest to us are sometimes a bit slighted. We desire the best that our church can give us. Still we frequently give in return grudgingly. Some attend church when they feel like it, others are present when there is nothing else to do. Some board members and officers attend meetings only when there is nothing else to do.

With some folks the church is among their "nearest and dearest", yet the pledge to the church is the last thing to be increased when wages increase, and the first to be cut when wages decrease. The church certainly is one of our greatest assets and best friends, yet there are those who follow the adage, "The Best Is None Too Good For Me," the church can have what's left.

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Your Church Calls You to Worship Sunday

A Newspaper Man Tells Why He Tithes

By ROBERT QUILLEN

Mr. Quillen is a well-known newspaper man whose writings have been syndicated and distributed very widely. He is a frequent contributor to popular magazines. The following was written at the request of the United Stewardship Council, the interdenominational organization for promotion of Christian stewardship.

"God's plan is the sensible and business-like plan. At the end of each month I know to a dollar the amount of my earnings, and one-tenth of that amount is set apart as God's share, to be used in his work. It isn't a large sum, but it has increased in size every year since I began to tithe, and I am old-fashioned enough to believe that God had much to do with the increase.

"I was once asked in a meeting of tithers, if the payment of the tithe had not brought me a spiritual blessing, and I answered frankly that I did not know. I do not know how to define a spiritual blessing. It is a careless term, much misused. At any rate, I am content to consider the matter as a cold-blooded business proposition and leave the discussion of the spiritual side to those more competent to understand it.

"Running God's business is much like running any other business. You cannot foot the bills unless the cash comes in. And the greater the amount of cash coming in, the more you can expand the business.

"I think one great weakness of the church is too much sentiment and not enough sound business sense—too much joy in the fact of heaven and not enough sane effort to make earth a little more like heaven. My own opinion is that songs of praise cause much less rejoicing in heaven than an organized effort to relieve the sufferings of humanity.

"Christ drew but one picture of the judgment, and there he pictured men condemned because they had not ministered to their fellows, and others rewarded, because in serving humanity they served Christ. It should be clear enough, therefore, that man best serves God by serving his fellows.

"If this be true, charities of every nature are the peculiar province of the church of Christ and not of secular organizations.

"It will be answered at once that the church has not the money to handle these matters. Certainly it hasn't. And it never will have until it adopts God's reasonable plan. And it never will have the prestige it should have until it follows in Christ's footsteps and goes about doing good.

"If every professing Christian paid a tenth of his earnings into the church, and the hungry, the sick, the maimed and the

homeless could appeal to the church and be served at once in the name of Jesus, how long, think you, before the world would be won to a religion as vital and real as that?"

MONEY AS A BY-PRODUCT

Much of the usual tithe-talk revolves about money; the money we owe; the way it should be paid; and, most of all, how it will come rolling into the Church's coffers as the tithers increase in money and prosperity.

All of which is true enough. But money is not the first or the greatest result of accepting the tithe obligation. Money is only a by-product of tithing.

The average Christian, and, I think, the average minister, think about giving to religious work as a sort of piety-thermometer. Like reading the Bible, or taking time for prayer, the more of all this we do, the better.

But when we think of the tithe as being God's plan for taking us into partnership, we are not dealing with the vague idea of being a better Christian. It is something definite, like joining the Church. Either I am a Church member or I am not. Either I pay the tithe or I don't.

That is all as it should be. The trouble comes when the harrassed pastor or Church committee see, as they do in the first moment of looking at the tithe, that here is a door of escape from all their woes.

The tithe **does** produce revenue, but that is not its chief glory, nor even that it produces larger revenue than the old absence of method. The tithe's chief glory is that it is absolutely in accord with the program of our faith.

Now, money is personal, in a most intimate sense. It serves the possessor in a thousand ways.

Well, if as a disciple of Jesus I put his authority first, as a Golden Rule Christian, must I not Christianize my money?

The only way to do that is to admit God's first claim on it, as he has on me. In other words, **to pay him the tithe**. Not as a money-getter for the Church, but to make me a Christian all the way through.

The world has tried for centuries to run its affairs on the principle of "looking out for Number One," and has made a poor job out of it.

Christ's program shifts the emphasis: "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God." Of course, "all these things shall be added unto you."

But that is not the main product of Christianity. The Kingdom is the great object and outcome. The Christian's well-being is its inevitable by-product. So is it with the tithe. Obedience, here as elsewhere, produces blessing both spiritual and temporal.

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C.Y.F.

The Christian Builders will meet next
Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m.

LOYAL REAPERS

The Loyal Reapers Class will meet
at the home of Miss Lulu Michael, 2219
Crescent Avenue, Friday, January 25th.
Assistant hostesses are: Mrs. Ruth
Braun and Miss Clarissa Magner.

DEACONS

The Deacons serving during the
month of January: Merland Heller, F.
Wayne Rousseau, William Crouse, Wil-
liam E. Tracey, Ralph J. Richard, Wm.
Moffitt, Dale Hiler, Don Eyer. Please
call your Chairman if replacements are
necessary.

ANNUAL REPORT

The Annual Reports are NOT com-
ing into the Office. Please send in
your report. Your cooperation will be
appreciated.

ATTENTION — COLONY PERSONNEL

Will all the Colony Governors and
workers please call on their colony
members, or telephone them, urging
their attendance at the Morning Wor-
ship Services each Sunday at 10:30 a.m.
We especially solicit your cooperation
at this time.

FIT TO BE FREE

Lacking Health, all other forms of pre-
paredness for war and peace avail
us nothing.

Freedom of Worship has no meaning to
a person who has no God;

Freedom of Speech is of little value if
one has nothing to say;

Freedom From Fear is of little use if
one knows not what to fear;

Freedom From Want is meaningless un-
less one's wants are defined; and

**WITHOUT HEALTH ONE HAS ONLY
THE FREEDOM TO DIE.**

from "A Bill of Rights for Childhood
and Youth" of the American As-
sociation for Health, Physical Edu-
cation and Recreation.

HONOR ROLL

The Honor Roll consists of the names
of persons and families whose 1945
Pledges were paid up on or before
December 31st:

Rev. and Mrs. R. T. Beck
Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Anders
Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Baker
Mrs. Gerald Baker
Mrs. George Barbier
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Barnett
Miss Mary Barnett
Mrs. Georgia Bauer
Miss Jean Baxter
Mrs. Joseph Baxter
Mr. and Mrs. J. Z. Berlein
Mrs. E. Binkley
Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Birkhold
Mrs. H. J. Bishop
Mr. and Mrs. Leo Blair
Mrs. Stella Burkhalter
Miss Mildred Bingham
Jack Brickley
Mrs. Emma Carles
Mrs. Irene Cline
Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Clipp
Mrs. Wm. Coblenz
Mr. and Mrs. Myron Cole
Miss Emma Crabill
Mr. and Mrs. Vinton Cramer
Mrs. C. E. Cremer
James Crouse
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Crouse
Mrs. E. D. Cruse
Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Dalton
Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Davis
Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Davis
Mrs. Rhoda Depotty
Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Dilts
Miss Emma Dorris
Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Durfee
Mrs. Ella Diss
Mrs. Henry Ehle
Mrs. Ida Mae England
Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Erwi n
Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Fitch
M. W. Fitch Family
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Frame
Mr. and Mrs. E. Fusselman
Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Flowers
Wanda Jean Follis

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SUNDAY SERVICE

CHURCH SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.

WORSHIP SERVICE 10:10 A.M.

GUEST SPEAKER

Mrs. C. O. Nease will be the guest speaker, Sunday, January 27th. Mrs. Nease is general secretary of the Indiana Woman's Christian Missionary Society of the Disciples of Christ. In this capacity she has the general supervision of over four hundred adult, young people's and childrens Missionary societies.

Mrs. Nease was vice-president of this society before taking up her present work, and before that was District secretary of the Missionary organization of Marion County. She is editor of the INDIANA TIDINGS issued each month.

SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS

Seventy-five years is a long time, and when it represents seventy-five years of service to the community and the world, the achievement is even greater. Such is the achievement of First Christian.

During the past seventy-five years our church has been an influence in this community. Its influence has spread around the world through its missionary program. No church could long exist if it was to serve only those who attend its services. Any church whose principal interest is itself, will soon perish from selfishness. We can be justly proud of our participation in world wide Christianity.

Many fine words have been spoken about our church during its seventy-five years of service. These words were not idle flattery, but a sincere expression of good will. The good will earned in seventy-five years of service is immeasurable and is conclusive proof that those faithful folk who founded our congregation seventy-five years ago planned wisely and prayerfully. Such is our heritage and we of today must continue steadfastly to maintain it.

Your Church Calls You to Worship Sunday

Tithing Put to the Test—and Results

In 1920, Mr. Kane wrote the Rev. W. B. Greenway: "In the last number of the New Era Magazine, I notice under the heading of 'Churches Achieving' your church is one of the four mentioned. Will you kindly give me a brief account, for publication, of your methods. Your record and experience may be helpful to others. Also please tell me if the literature I sent you was helpful in your campaign." He replied as follows:

"First let me say that it was the leaflet sent out by Layman Co. that convinced me that I ought to emphasize tithing in my preaching. The 1,500 'How to Tithe and Why' you sent me in March, 1919, were sent by first-class mail with a personal note from myself to all members in Gaston Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia, where I was pastor until recently. We had put on steam in our finances before and had raised what we thought was all we could. In October, after sending out the leaflet we made a canvass of the congregation. I had preached on tithing and called attention to the leaflet. As a result the benevolent offerings this year increased 300 per cent and current expenses beyond our highest expectations. No tither in all the group is dissatisfied. There is some regret that they did not begin earlier. This is the way the finances of Gaston church have been put on a higher plane and good spiritual results have followed. May the Lord continue to use and bless you.

Sincerely,

W. B. Greenway."

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First Tithe Money—Price of a Rooster

When I was about ten years old I heard a Lutheran minister preach on Tithing. He said that ALL our gifts, including the money we made or had given to us, really belonged to God and all he absolutely required of us was one-tenth of our profits or gains, allowing us nine-tenths.

The sermon stayed with me, and the following week when I sold an old rooster for a dollar I set aside ten cents for the start of my Tithing Fund. I started then to tithe regularly. The first thing I do when I receive any money is to put aside one-tenth to the Lord's account.

I am positive that I have prospered much more in the past 22 years than if I had not tithed. I receive far more pleasure from the money I spend on the Lord's account than I do on all the other money I spend.

About three years ago I closed out a manufacturing business in the East and moved west on account of the health of my wife. It was very hard to tell just what amount of the proceeds of the business was prin-

cial and interest. I decided to credit one-tenth of the entire proceeds of the business to the Tithe Account, which I did, and I received vastly more for the business than I had hoped for. Mulford Stough.



What Tithing Means to God's Poor

This incident was told by the pastor of a Church in Indianapolis. During a canvass for tithers in his Church a poor widow, a washer-woman, signed the tithing pledge. Two ladies who knew her well and knew how hard she had to work to support herself and little children, volunteered in a spirit of the utmost kindness to call on her and remonstrate. They had both become tithers, but thought while they could afford it, she, out of her small income, could not. Coming direct from the washtub and wiping her hands on her apron, she admitted them, evidently pleased that they had called. After talking of other matters for a time they, as tactfully and lovingly as possible, made known their errand. As its full meaning came to her she broke down and, covering her face with her apron, sobbed through her tears, "Let me alone; you are trying to take away the greatest pleasure of my life. Let me alone, let me alone." As they left her humble home they carried with them a new vision of what tithing means to God's poor.



Can a country church do things? A United Brethren Church in Northern Illinois enjoyed a wide-awake membership and fine Sunday school. In addition to a full benevolence budget, this church regularly supported two missionaries, one in the home and one in the foreign field. The striking thing was the ease with which the work was done. When renewing the home and foreign missionary support, no special effort was made. The subject was presented, after which the pastor offered an earnest prayer, and slips of paper were quietly passed through the congregation.

What is the secret of this church? For about a quarter of a century one man with consecration and vision was superintendent of the Sunday School. He himself practiced and earnestly advocated the paying of the tithe to God. As a result the people of the whole community grew up from childhood with their lives permeated thoroughly with the tithe principle and the community became prosperous both in spiritual and temporal things.



"About two years ago I read your pamphlet, 'What We Owe and How to Pay it,' and since that time I have been paying a tenth of my salary to the Lord. I never was so blessed both temporally and spiritually as I have been during that time."

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The meeting time of the Teen-agers has been changed to 6:00 p.m. This goes into effect January 27th.

LADIES BIBLE CLASS

The Ladies Bible Class will meet with Mrs. N. Gorham, 1526 Boone St. next Tuesday, January 29th.

CHOIR DIRECTOR

Mr. Loren Yaggy of Arcola has been selected to be the new Minister of Music. Mr. Yaggy comes highly recommended.

FAMILY NIGHT

There will be no Family Night in January.

BUILDING A TEMPLE

A builder builded a temple;
He wrought it with grace and skill—
Pillars and groins and arches

All fashioned to work his will.
Men said, 'as they saw its beauty,
"It shall never know decay.
Great is thy skill, O builder;
Thy fame shall endure for aye."

A teacher builded a temple
With loving and infinite care,
Planning each arch with patience,
Laying each stone with prayer.
None praised her unceasing efforts;
None knew of her wondrous plan;
For the temple the teacher builded
Was unseen by the eyes of man.

Gone is the builder's temple,
Crumbled into the dust;
Low lies each stately pillar,
Food for consuming rust.
But the temple the teacher builded
Will last while the ages roll,
For that beautiful unseen temple
Is a child's immortal soul.

—Author unknown.

HONOR ROLL (continued)

Mrs. Edwin Gerken
Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gerrard
Miss Flora Gilmore
Miss Phyllis Glass
Mr. and Mrs. N. Gorham
Miss Phyllis Getts
James Haffner
Mrs. Anna Hartshorn
Miss Mabel Haynes
Miss Pearl Heidecker
Mr. and Mrs. M. Heller
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hilbish
Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hiler
Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hiler
Mrs. Anna Hirschy
Miss Pauline Sigrist
Mrs. David Hogg
Miss Mildred Hutchinson
Thomas Hirschy
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Imbody
Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Jordan
Miss Helen Jordan
Mr. and Mrs. John Juday
Miss Elsie Keith
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kirby
The Kissing Family
Mrs. Vera F. Kiser
Mrs. J. C. Koegel
Mr. and Mrs. George Krall
Verne C. Knight
Mrs. Florence Knott
Mrs. Louise Lacy
Mrs. Josephine Lahmeyer
Miss Beatrice Lehman
Mrs. Niona Lehman
Miss Kathryn Leversee
Mrs. Harry Lomont
Mrs. Emily Lowman
Mrs. J. A. Lynn
Mr. and Mrs. Byron McCammon
Mr. J. J. McCarel
Miss Lucile McCarty
Miss Louise McGuire
Miss Marguerite McGuire
Mrs. Daisy McIntyre
Miss Helen McLennon
Mrs. C. R. McMakken

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Morning Worship 10:30 A. M.

Church School 9:30 A. M.

Men's Forum 6:30 P. M.

RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

Among the most valuable and most important of men's possessions is the right to worship as he sees fit. To Americans this right is guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States. To many in other lands it is a promise which now seems near to fulfillment.

We in America take this right for granted. To most of us it has been ours since the day we were born. To others who have known it, and lost it, it is only a sweet memory, and to them it is so important that they risk their lives to worship God. Whenever anything is taken for granted, its value is underestimated. Religious freedom is no exception in this respect. Religious freedom has been bought at a tremendous price. A price so great that we can not realize its full value at the present time.

This priceless possession could be lost through indifference. Many people, here in the United States, a Christian nation, have either not realized the value of this priceless possession, or have not learned of it. In the first case we find folk indifferent, and taking religious freedom for granted. In the latter case we find the church indifferent, and taking it for granted. In both cases indifference is making itself felt. The degree of indifference varies, but the ultimate result is the same.

All of this presents a challenge to the churches of today. In talking to a man who was not a church member, it was learned that this man practiced all of the principals of Christianity. He applied them to his business, and in his dealings with his friends. Still he attended no church. His reason for not affiliating with a church was simply this, "There are so many different churches, with apparently different doctrines, that I have been unable to make a choice." This is not indifference, but a problem, and emphasizes the necessity for Christian Unity. In Christian Unity we will find a solution to one of the many causes of indifference, and an important contribution to the guarantee of Religious Freedom.

Your Church Calls You to Worship Sunday

Reasons for Tithing

By Bert Wilson

One of the very first objections raised by Christian people against the tithing system is that they can't afford it. The objection is urged because people see only the money side of tithing.

The starting point is the man himself. When he is asked to become a tither, let him forget his money for the time and face himself. Can the Christian man afford to put God first in his life? The fact that he is a Christian presumes that he is dedicated to the work and program of the Lord. He has confessed Christ, he has promised to be His disciple, his name is recorded on the church records. Now, at this point, can he afford to deny his Christ a just proportion of his money?

Can he afford to make a law of giving for himself? By refusing to acknowledge the principle of the tithe, he denies God's right to suggest what proportion he should give. He blindly understands that he should give something. God has plainly indicated that the ratio should be a tenth. He flatly refuses to accept this and begins a loose habit of irregular and unsystematic giving. This is nothing short of religious anarchy.

The man needs the principle of the tithe to fortify his own faith. On faith he accepts God's principle and ratio. He establishes the tithing principle as a life habit; thus begins a life of complete cooperation between the man and his God. This is the starting point of the tithing system. If he will, on faith, accept God's will and God's principle of giving for his life, then the tithing system is already two-thirds on the way.

The Tithing System and the Every Member Canvass

There is a point where the Every Member Canvass needs enlargement. Its *method* has been *definite and direct*, its *message* has been *indirect and general*. It has asked all to give, but has not said what proportion should be given. Here the tithing principle fills up the Every Member Canvass. It puts the *right message* into the *right method*. It puts a new content into the whole program.

1. *It gives the advantage of a spiritual appeal.* Practically every church member secretly admits that tithing is the proper thing. He knows it is right, although he refuses to do it. The direct canvass for the tithe is bound to touch the conscience of every man to whom the appeal is made.

2. *A canvass for the tithe is fair to rich and poor alike. The larger the income, the larger the tithe. With a small income the tithe is small. It is often remarked that the rich do not give in proportion to the poor. The tithe would remedy this, and no other system will. The poor are usually willing to become tithers if the more able will join in the good work. To be sure, some of the wealthy should give more than the tithe. But there are few, if any, cases where they have done so, without previously getting the tithing habit fixed as a life principle.*

3. *It has the argument of success back of it. There are no records of failure among tithing churches. The examples of success are legion. To get a church to become a tithing church is to forever settle the financial problem, as well as many other problems. Why not do the thing right and be done with our "excursions" on church finance?*

4. *It would help to create tithing churches. A church that is taught tithing, that is canvassed for the tithe, that is kept thinking of tithing, will eventually become a tithing church.*

5. *It would tend to produce real missionary churches. There is no case on record of a tither being anti-missionary. . . . The man who recognizes that the tithe belongs to God is willing that a large part of it shall go to the Lord's worldwide program. . . .*

The Preacher Is the Starting Point

1. Let the preacher get the conviction in his soul that it is his duty to teach and preach tithing. It must not be a mere mental assent. He should not go haltingly, half defeated, into a tithing campaign. . . . With earnest conviction let him vow before his God that he will lead his church into a greater life. That he will call them from selfishness and indifference to real service for Jesus Christ. With fire in his soul and passion in his heart, he must forge conviction in the souls of his people.

2. There must be some clear-cut preaching on the subject. One sermon will not do. There should be many of them. And in his sermons let him remember that the main drive is not finance but to win men from greed and gold to the higher spiritual life.

3. The preacher should have faith in his people. He has a right to believe that many of his people will respond to the tithing appeal. The first clear, strong sermon will bring results. . . . Most Christian people at heart desire to do the right thing. . . . The church that is carefully, wisely and systematically taught tithing will become a tithing church.

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WOMAN'S COUNCIL

The RACHEL Group will meet with Mrs. Clyde Driver, 1013 McKee St., Tuesday, February 5th at 2:00 p.m.

The ESTHER Group will have a Pot-luck at the home of Mrs. Ernest Ayers, 1614 Jessie Ave., Wednesday, February 6th at noon. Mrs. Ray Vaughn will be the assistant hostess.

The DORCAS Group will meet with Mrs. J. C. Gerrard, 2620 Central Drive, Thursday, February 7th, at 2:00 p.m.

The NAOMI Group will meet at the home of Mrs. Clarence Ellison, 905 No. Anthony Blvd., Wednesday, February 6th at 2:00 p.m. Mrs. E. L. Jordan will be assisting hostess.

The RUTH Group will meet with Mrs. George Kress, 1226 W. Jefferson St., Tuesday, February 5th, at 2:00 p.m.

The MARTHA Group will meet with Mrs. Charles Dare, 115 E. Masterson, Wednesday, February 6th.

C.B's

The C.B's will meet at 7:00 p.m. Sunday, February 3rd. Note change in time.

DEACONS FOR FEBRUARY

Charles Young, Captain; Harold J. Bowker, Fred H. Wilson, Paul E. Parsons, Charles J. Kollman, Henry M. Flowers, Richard J. Rousseau. Please call your chairman if replacements are necessary.

ELDERS FOR FEBRUARY

February 3rd. Robert E. Clipp, H. G. Hiler.

February 10th. John F. Davis, Alexander M. Campbell.

February 17th. B. W. Leversee, J. Fred Reithmiller.

February 24th. W. C. Birkhold, Ray Barnett.

Please call your chairman if replacements are necessary.

GUEST SPEAKERS FOR FEBRUARY

February 10th. Dr. Paul H. Fall, President of Hiram College, Hiram, Ohio.

February 17th. Dr. Virgil Sly, United Christian Missionary Society, Indianapolis.

February 24. Professor Robert Miller, Manchester College, North Manchester, Indiana.

HONOR ROLL (Continued)

Mr. and Mrs. Collins Mannan

Miss Lulu Michael

Mrs. J. L. Michael

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Miller

Mrs. Joseph Miller

Miss Leah and Mrs. Jessie Miller

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Miller

Mrs. Lynn Miller

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Moffitt

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Morrical

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Munson

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Mrs. Nellie Newland

Mrs. Louise Nichols

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Miss Sarah Shroyer

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Mr. and Mrs. Powell Simonton

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FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

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No. 19

Morning Worship 10:30 A. M.

Church School 9:30 A. M.

Our Guest Speaker for Sunday

DR. PAUL H. FALL

President, Hiram College

Dr. Fall is a distinguished physicist and a fine Christian man. He is being unusually successful as President of Hiram. Hiram College was founded by early Disciples in Ohio. From its doors have gone men high in Civic affairs and many Missionaries and Preachers.

James A. Garfield, the first minister of the Gospel, and the only Disciple, who has been President of the United States was one of Hiram's early students and later President of Hiram.

The Hiram Plan which has attracted so much attention in educational circles is most effective. The students concentrate on one subject for nine weeks with three hours in a minor subject. A number of Fort Wayne people are at Hiram.

We sincerely urge our people to give Dr. Fall a fine hearing next Sunday Morning.

Dr. Fall will speak on the subject, "As A Man Thinkst".

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LET'S FINISH THE JOB

The response to the first phase of our advancement program has been most gratifying. The properties immediately south of the church were purchased, and are now held by the church. We are, however, still in need of \$4,500.00, to completely clear this purchase. Why not all of us get behind this project **NOW** and clear it up **SOON**. A few pledges are still to be paid. We still need some new pledges.

Your Church Calls You to Worship Sunday

NINE FOR ME AND ONE FOR HIM

The "work of God" is only another name for the helping of men. It is our work - and his.

By many signs and tokens God has shown how we may at once make a living and do all this "work of God".



To Western Europe he has said, Nine potatoes for the service of self, one potato for the service of others.

To Asia he has said, Nine grains of rice for our own living and our rice fields; one grain to feed our souls through love.



To America he has said, Nine ears of corn for all our needs, one ear for all the needs of our brethren.

To all lands he has said, Nine eggs for food, the market, the incubator; one egg as the symbol of a perpetual Easter, new life ever given for old.



Does it seem too much, nine for me and only one for my brother? But this is the marvel of it - my one and God's blessing will provide all that God asks and my brother needs!

I have never seen nor known a long-faced tither. All I have ever known wear smiling faces. Knowing, as we all do, that the source of all real happiness is within us, is not this fact significant? "The life of God in the soul of man" is the best definition of religion I have seen. If tithing develops the life until it shows in our faces, can we afford to neglect it?—Thomas Kan

Cabloid Tithing Truths

When a man gets rich, God gets a partner or the man loses his soul.

Give, not from the top of your purse, but from the bottom of your heart.

Stewardship puts the Golden Rule in business in place of the rule of gold.

He is no fool who parts with what he cannot keep, to get what he shall not lose.

Not how much of my money must I give to God, but how much need I use for myself?

The unconsecrated wealth of Christians is the greatest hindrance to the church's progress.

"I will place no value on anything I may have or may possess except in relation to the kingdom of Christ."

Jesus teaches that a man's attitude to the Kingdom of God is revealed by his attitude to his property.

The kingdom of God can never be established by raising money, but it can never be extended without raising money.

Earning maketh an industrious man; spending, a well-furnished man; saving, a prepared man; giving, a blessed man.

It is a trick with little children, in a spasm of generosity, to give to those whom they love some dear possession, and to take it back again. And it is thus that too many Christians act towards Christ. They ask Him to consider all their possessions as His; but they determine how much to give to a collection without once asking Him what He desires.
—The Rev. F. B. Meyer.

Layman Tithing Foundation, 8 S. Dearborn St., Chicago 3, Ill.

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OUR PASTOR AT HOME

Our minister returned home Monday morning. Altho he is unable to receive visitors for two weeks, he is deeply interested in everything about the church. Mr. and Mrs. Beck are very appreciative of all the cards, letters, flowers and kindnesses which did much to help during the dark days. The roses from the church arrived every week on Friday and were their best on Sunday when Mr. Beck was thinking of the congregation at worship.

OFFICIAL BOARD

The Official Board will meet Monday evening, February 11th, at 7:45. Please note change of date.

WOMAN'S COUNCIL

The MARTHA Group has postponed their meeting until Monday, February 11th. It will be held at the home of Mrs. Charles Dare, 115 E. Masterson.

The EVENING GUILD will meet at the home of Miss Leah Miller, 414 E. Wildwood Ave. Monday evening, February 11th at 8:00. Mr. Ridley of Wheatley Center will be the speaker, and a group of singers from Wheatley Cener will furnish special music.

CONGRATULATIONS

Our congratulations go to Mr. and Mrs. Dale Bracey, Caruthersville, Missouri, on the birth of a son, Jera Thomas, born January 15th, 1946. Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Broxon are the proud grandparents.

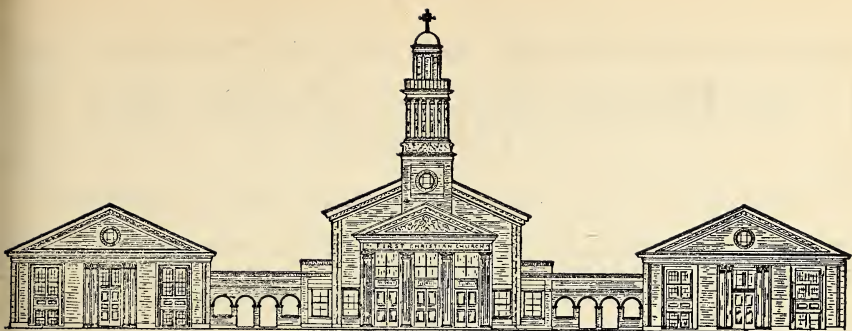
BASKETBALL

The Jefferson Recreation Center will be available to First Christian for basketball practice Wednesday, February 13, from 8:30 to 10:00 p.m. Boys 11-12 and 13 years are invited to meet for practice at that time. Bring your shoes and ball—if you have one.

C. Mannan,
Sponsor.

HONOR ROLL (Continued)

Mr. and Mrs. J. Siples
Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Smith
Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Somers
Mr and Mrs. H. H. Stevenson
Mrs. Carl Swanson
Mrs. Gertrude Sutton
Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Tharp
Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Tracey
Miss Harriet Treace
Mrs. F. S. Van Alstine
Mr. and Mrs. U. E. Treace
Mr. and Mrs. Dempsey Weaver
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Treager
Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Vesey
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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Young
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Mrs. Clarence Clements
Mrs. Alpha Piercy
Carolyn Schell
Margaret Rose Schell
Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Schlatter
Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Sharp
Miss Lorea Sheline
Mrs. Mae Sheline
Mr. and Mrs. A. Smith
Miss Hazel Swinehart
Mr. and Mrs. J. Hugh Tracey
R. F. Treager
Mrs. Flora Virts
Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Wilson
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Yentes
Mrs. Ruth Anderson
Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Bowker
Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Brickley
Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Broxon
Mrs. E. E. Buchanan
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No. 20

Morning Worship 10:30 A. M.

Church School 9:30 A. M.

GUEST SPEAKER

DR. VIRGIL A. SLY, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Department of Financial Resources

The United Christian Missionary Society,

Indianapolis, Indiana

Dr. Virgil A. Sly is to be our Guest Speaker, Sunday morning, February 17th. It is through his organization that Missionary and Educational work is carried on in this country and in ten foreign countries.

Dr. Sly is responsible for the general promotional program of the United Society. He is a member of the Board of Directors of Unified Promotion, and also a member of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America and the Home Missions Conference.

Dr. Sly has traveled throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico and has recently returned from an extensive trip to Africa where he visited Liberia, British Gold Coast, French Equatorial Africa and Belgian Congo. In the Belgian Congo, the Disciples of Christ have six Mission stations and are in process of establishing two new stations.

Dr. Sly is a graduate of Cotner College, Lincoln, Nebraska. He came to the United Society as field secretary in the Rocky Mountain Area. Since that time he has served in many capacities.

Dr. Sly will have many interesting things to tell us. Let us consider it a privilege to hear him.

Your Church Calls You to Worship Sunday

The Church Treasurer Who Got Mad

By A. E. PETERSON

It is not a common thing for church treasurers to get mad, but here is the story of one who did.

The occasion was the new pastor's sermon and it made such an impression on the treasurer that when it was over, refusing to shake hands with the preacher, he stamped out of church and went home to give vent to his feelings.

Now the sermon that morning was a straight-from-the-shoulder appeal for business-like methods of supporting the Church of Christ. The preacher called the Kingdom business "the biggest of big business." He pictured the need of the world and Christ's often-forgotten programme to save it. Then he pointed out that you can generally tell the genuineness of a man's interest in the Kingdom by the way he puts his money in. Then he told how some frequently used schemes of raising money were not only unbusinesslike, but were trifling with the great programme of salvation.

Finally the pastor came to the climax of his appeal, insisting with great earnestness that a man should realize that he is a steward of God and that it is poor stewardship to pay to Christ's Church what one thinks he can afford after all other calls have been met. He said that the Lord wanted the "first fruits," that a man really ought to put Christianity first and he should plan to set aside regularly a definite percentage of his income for the support of the Church and Kingdom. That percentage ought to be at least one-tenth—for the old Jews did as well as that.

This was the point when the church treasurer's wrath reached the high spot. He could hardly wait to get into the house before he began:

"That preacher needn't think we don't know how to give. He needn't worry about his salary, either. We've always paid our minister, and we always will. He wants an increase; that's what's the matter with him! But he can't get it."

By this time the wife was making some meek protest, but he went on: "Why, last year I gave \$70 when you figure it all up. The idea of suggesting that a man ought to give ten per cent of his salary! What will he have left for himself?"

Perhaps the Lord didn't have anything to do with it; but anyway when the treasurer's breath gave out and he sought relief in scanning a paper, his eyes fell full on somebody's philosophy:

"A kicking horse never pulls."

Now it happened that he had always prided himself on pull-

ing his part of the load, and while the words, "A kicking horse never pulls," only served, at the moment, to increase his anger, they stayed with him all through the evening as he tarried at home while his wife sat in her usual place at church.

It was a hard week. The treasurer was fighting the battle of his life. Fortunately at heart he was a good and just man and one who feared God. Little by little the reasonableness of what the pastor had said on that Sunday became a conviction.

Finally he said to himself, "Yes, I'm willing to pray over it." Then he even got so far as to be willing to read the tract which in his wrath he had jammed down in his pocket on that Sunday morning. But it wasn't easy, nevertheless, to go to church when the Sabbath rolled around. Indeed it is an even chance that had he known before hand the content of the preacher's sermon, his would have been an empty place.

But he was there, and a second time came the pastor's appeal to mean business about Christ's big business.

"Christ claims first place in one's life and how can a man give first place," said the pastor, "to Christ and His programme until he is ready to give Him first place in his pocketbook? These were vital principles under the old Jewish law of the tithe. The old Jews were commanded to pay the first tenth to God, because it helped them to recognize God's first claim on everything. Surely those of us who really will put Christianity first, and mean it, will not hesitate to covenant to pay Him at least the tenth and let it be the first tenth. It will serve as a pledge to Jesus Christ that we mean to keep Him and His Kingdom first."

If the church treasurer had not settled it, he certainly did settle it while the congregation was singing:

"I'll go where you want me to go, dear Lord,
I'll do what you want me to do."

For when the pastor gave the invitation to those who meant business about Christ's big business to the place where they were ready to sign the covenant to tithe, to come forward and do so, the church treasurer was the first man on the spot.

Three lessons we can point out briefly from this story:

First: That Christ wants us to mean business about His big business of reconstructing the world. No getting around this: "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God." Matt. 6:24, 33.

Second: We can't really be sure we mean business about Christ's business until we are ready to "consecrate" our pocket-books as a part of ourselves.

Third: You can't really be sure that your pocketbook is on the altar until you are ready regularly to pay to Christ's work at least the "first fruit" of your income to prove it. To pay a tithe is to say, "Lord Jesus, I consecrate my all to Thy big task, and here is my tenth to show Thee that I mean it."

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FROM THE PARSONAGE

Rev. Beck is improving nicely but can have no visitors as yet.

Martha Jeanette is again back in school.

You will be kept advised about Rev. Bec's condition in the TIDINGS. Please do not phone the Beck residence. While the family deeply appreciates your thoughtfulness, too many phone calls cause unnecessary confusion.

LOYAL REAPERS CLASS

The Loyal Reapers will meet with Mrs. John Leikauf, 1314 Marion St., Friday evening, February 22nd at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Virginia Worrell, Mrs. Mildred Clements and Miss Hazel Swinehart will serve as assistant hostesses.

GENERAL COUNCIL

The Executive will meet at 1:15 P.M. Tuesday, February 19th. The General Council will begin its meeting at 2:15 P.M. The Ruth Group is in charge of the program. Mrs. E. E. Evans will be the guest speaker. Her topic, "Africa." The Naomi group is Hostess.

HONOR ROLL (Continued)

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Carpenter

Marilyn Crouse

Lowell Dare

Mrs. C. E. Dare

Joyce Davis

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Flowers

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Follis

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Gaskill

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Halleck

Miss Mildred Hartman

Mrs. Olga Heidecker

Mrs. F. Hobbs

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hopkins, Jr.

Rev. Richard H. & Miss Elaine Jones

Mr. and Mrs. M. Kimble

Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Leversee

Donna Leversee

Mr. and Mrs. K. V. Lytle

Mrs. E. T. Metcalf

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Miller

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Moser

Mrs. Eva Moiser

Mrs. Cora Nowells

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WEEK OF COMPASSION

February 17th-24th

WHAT DOTH THE LORD REQUIRE
OF THEE?

The War-time Service Fund of Disciples of Christ is used to aid stricken ones in devastated Europe and Asia. This is a work which Christians are supporting not only in America but throughout the world. We have given generously to this cause in the past, let us carry on.

I planned an ultra modern home when priorities were lifted . . . But a BELGIAN WOMAN whispered, "I have no home at all!"

I dreamed of a country place for luxurious week ends . . . But a JEWISH LAD kept saying, "I have no country!"

I decided on a new cupboard right now . . . But a CHILD of China cried out, "I have no cup!"

I started to purchase a new kind of washing machine . . . But a POLISH woman said softly, "I have nothing to wash!"

I wanted a quick-freezing unit for storing quantities of food . . . But across the waters came the cry, "I have no food!"

I ordered a new car for the pleasure of my loved ones . . . But a war ORPHAN murmured, "I have no loved ones!"

—Mayme Garner Miller.
(from the Jan. 1946, World Call)

SICK

Mrs. W. A. Ford is a patient at St. Joseph Hospital, Room 319.

Mr. Roy Sinton, 1209 E. Wayne Street, has been injured in an accident while at work.

John Gaskill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ansil Gaskill, is confined to his home with mumps.

BASKETBALL

We will have basketball at the Jefferson Center, Wednesday, February 20th from 7:00 to 8:30 P.M. Mr. C. Mannan, sponsor.



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No. 21

GUEST SPEAKER
PROFESSOR ROBERT H. MILLER

Manchester College,
North Manchester, Indiana

Sermon subject: "Personal Responsibility"

Professor Miller is a graduate of Manchester College, Garrett Biblical Institute and Northwestern University. In 1925 he traveled extensively in Europe. For thirteen years he was a pastor, serving two college churches during that time. Since 1929, he has been head of the Department of Religion and Philosophy of Manchester College.

Prof. Miller taught in our Leadership Training School. He was so popular that, after the first year, he had by far the largest class attendance in the School.

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What We Did Last Year!

"What we did last year" has given this country a pagan population; the millions of men and women who never open a Bible or acknowledge any claim of God upon their lives. We see this reflected in Crime Waves.

There Is a Challenge!

If one looks he will discover fine congregations all over the land. Many having seven hundred or more in every Sunday worship service. Thousands of churches have from three to five hundred every Sunday. Think of the indigenous churches in the Mission field; the loyalty of Christians on the continent of Europe. In these countries plans are being carried out in the rebuilding of bombed church buildings, some will be on old sites but not along old lines, these buildings will be adapted to the work of education in community life.

The Thrill of Tradition!

"The Thrill of Tradition" of which Dr. James Moffett speaks goes on. We are members of a great team. We are moved by a spirit that continues to thrive and give strength and wisdom for new tasks in the new world to be. It is as though a torch had been given to us. A great opportunity awaits us in the years ahead, we must not let it pass unheeded.

The Tithe Is—; the Tithe Is Not—!

By BERT WILSON

Most churches are looking for some panacea to cure their financial ills. Almost any feasible plan will be eagerly seized upon by despairing church Boards.

Now we are having an agitation of the tithing system. Many will plan to inaugurate it in their churches. The testimonies are so overwhelmingly conclusive that the tithing system will produce the money, that short-sighted preachers and churches may hastily try it out. Their reasoning will be about as follows: "Other plans have not produced the money; we need the money. The tithing system will produce the money; we will inaugurate the tithing system in order to get the money." Thus the main point is missed entirely.

What the Purpose Is Not

1. *It is not to get money to pay off church debts*, nor to pay last year's deficit, nor to pay interest on money borrowed at the bank, nor to pay the preacher's back salary. If any such selfish low motive is presented as a reason for starting the tithing system many members will resent it from the start.

2. *It is not merely a substitute for other worn-out methods of attempting to raise money.* To start out with the attitude, "We've tried everything else, let's try this for a while," half defeats the thing before it starts.

3. *It is not a cure-all to cure the many ills of the church.* Someone reads a tract or hears a testimony of a church wonderfully blessed by tithing. He quickly concludes to rush into the plan with visions of a full church treasury. The committee talks money, the preacher talks money, the board talks money. Money is emphasized out of necessity, because of the stupidity and negligence of the past. Hence the main point or purpose is missed.

4. *Primarily and fundamentally the main drive is not for money at all.* To start the tithing system on such a low basis is to doom it in advance. The church has been waiting for one hundred years to be taught a spiritual motive for giving. The time has come for the church to launch a systematic and continuous campaign, teaching the high motives and purposes of systematic stewardship; these purposes and motives to become life principles among Christian people, financially expressed by religiously paying the tithe to the work of the Lord.

What the Main Purpose or Motive Is

1. *It is to teach men to put God and the Kingdom first.* With most professing Christians self, home, business, pleasure

come first. After time, attention, energy, money have been given to other things, if there be any left the Kingdom may get it. God takes last place instead of first. The main object, therefore, must be to REVERSE THE ORDER. When a man is asked to become a tither, he is asked to establish as a life principle the habit of putting God first. This, of course, gets the tithe, but it does vastly more; it gets the tither. It creates a new race of Christians who put God and His Kingdom where they rightfully belong—FIRST.

2. *To teach men to recognize and acknowledge God's ownership.* God owns the property, land, money and income which we call our own. It is God's world. The gold and the silver belong to Him. This point many church members do not and will not recognize, much less acknowledge. Here the tithing system is vital. The teaching is that the tithe in a special sense belongs to God. We therefore do not ask a man to tithe to pay the preacher, or the debt, but we ask him to pay to God what already belongs to Him. If a Christian will recognize God's ownership of the tithe, he will recognize God's ownership of all.

3. *To teach men that God's ratio of giving is the tenth.* On this point much teaching is necessary. Some have given when they felt like it, and most of the time they don't feel like it. Others give what their fathers and grandfathers gave. Others give as little as possible and still maintain a semblance of religious self-respect. Some give less than one per cent; some less than five per cent. But God's ratio through the ages has always been the one-tenth.

4. *To teach that tithing is an act of worship.* Someone has said that worship is self-giving to God. A man's money is a part of himself, his brain, his brawn, his energy. When he gives money he gives a part of himself back to God. His tithe is not merely answering a temporary financial call; it is given as an act of worship. He goes to the Lord's house on the Lord's day, he mingles with the Lord's people, he partakes of the Lord's Supper, and he puts into the Lord's treasury the Lord's money. It is a supreme act of worship. Now, if a campaign on the tithing system is put upon this high plane, the money will come, to be sure, but a greater result will follow. The whole church will be lifted. Out of selfish, negligent, self-satisfied churches can be made real churches of Jesus Christ.

The MAIN DRIVE, therefore, is to secure, not the tithe, but the tither; not the gift, but the giver; not the money, but the man; not the possession, but the possessor.

"To press the principle of the tithe to secure ready money is to do violence against God's purpose as well as against the tither. Preaching high truth for revenue only awakens suspicion. We must not cheapen a great message."

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C. B.'s

The C. B.'s will vote on their Constitution on March 10. Please keep this date in mind.

Lakoda Class

The Lakoda Class will have a party Saturday night, February 23 at 8 o'clock at the home of Miss Doris Sweeney, 1302 Garfield.

Congratulations

We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mrs. Monroe W. Fitch in honor of her 97th birthday which she celebrated Wednesday, February 20th.

Friendly Bible Class

The Friendly Bible Class will meet Friday evening, March 1st at 8 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Fay Miller, 3008 S. Lafayette St. All members are urged to be present.

The Revised New Testament

The new Revised Standard Version of the New Testament is now off the press. It is written in modern phraseology by prominent scholars of today. It can be ordered through our Bookstore and the price is \$2.00.

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Your World Call Committee of the Woman's Council wishes to send in another list of subscribers to World Call the first week in March. Please give your name to any member of the committee along with your \$1.00 for your subscription. Mrs. H. W. Sigrist, Chrmn. Mrs. Vandegrift, Mrs. G. C. Cahow, Mrs. B. W. Leversee, Mrs. W. L. Smith, Mrs. D. Eyer, Miss N. F. Woodhull.

There are a number of fine late books on Africa which you will enjoy reading. Inquire: Reference Dept. Public Library.

HONOR ROLL (Continued)

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Orchard

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Parkerson

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Riethmiller

Mrs. Harold Roberts

Mrs. Geo. Robinson

The Bible

When I am tired, the Bible is my bed;
Or in the dark, the Bible is my light.
When I am hungry, it is the vital bread;
Or fearful, it is armor for the fight.
When I am sick, 'tis healing medicine;
Or lonely, thronging friends I find therein.

If I would work, the Bible is my tool;
Or play, it is a harp of happy sound.
If I am ignorant, it is my school;
If I am sinking, it is solid ground.
If I am cold, the Bible is my fire;
And wings, if boldly I aspire.

Should I be lost, the Bible is my guide;
Or naked, it is raiment, rich and warm.

Am I imprisoned, it is ranges wide;
Or tempest-tossed, a shelter from the storm.

Would I adventure, 'tis a gallant sea;
Or would I rest, it is a flowery lea.

Does Gloom oppress? The Bible is a sun.

Or ugliness? It is a garden fair.

—Author Unknown.

I Have a Rendezvous With God

I have a rendezvous with God!
Upon His blessed day of rest,
To His loved house I go, and meet
With others on the Holy Quest;
Whose presence fills His holy place,
Our spiritual eyes behold
The radiance of our Father's face;
Then at the midweek hour of prayer
What strength flows down our need to meet,

As unto Him in prayer we turn,
United at the mercy seat!

How can I to my faith be true

If I keep not this rendezvous?

—Author Unknown.



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Number 22

GUEST SPEAKER

ROBERT H. MILLER, Professor,
Department of Religion and Philosophy,
Manchester College,
North Manchester, Indiana.

Sermon: "Three Levels of Living"

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HOW DO THEY FIND US?

Veterans are returning after experiences of great severity. Many have been through days of such immeasurable suffering that new meaning has been found and they have achieved a deeper understanding of life. Multiplied numbers of parents have received letters from their sons, testifying to this serious fact.

God, that was a Name, is now no longer far off. He became real to them out here when everything around them had become impossible. The searching question is, What are the veterans finding when they return home? Are the people at home conscious of God? Are they deeply aware of the meaning of suffering? We can hardly answer this in the affirmative. Our veterans are finding black markets, all kinds of graft, chiseling, easy money; yes, and easy morals—and too many church members only slightly loyal to their vows of consecration.

It is not a passing suggestion that in helping the veteran to overcome the effects of what they have seen in the war, we should do even more to help to overcome the effects of what they see when they return home.

The Church needs all that the Christian veterans can give to augment those in the Church who are serious and devoted in their Christian living.

Our church has been experiencing unusual fellowship each Sunday. Splendid messages from our guest speakers have added thoughtful incentives in our worship. Our music has been inspiring, both from the choir and from the congregational singing. Friendliness pervades our fellowship and the reverent attitude of our members makes the celebration of the Lord's Supper the event of the week. The wise church member will welcome these opportunities for worship and fellowship.

Men's Forum 6:30 P. M.

How to Tithe and Why

By THOMAS KANE

One of the famous original Kane tracts. It has been read by millions.

"When should I commence tithing my income?"

Now—to-day. Count what income you have on hand and put aside one-tenth of it. Add to this one-tenth of all you receive from day to day, week to week, or month to month and draw from this fund as you have calls for aid in behalf of Christian work.

"Do you recommend this as the best method?"

Yes, for most people; especially farmers, men and women on salaries, wage workers and all persons who are not accustomed to keeping accounts. Professional men, tradesmen and business men who keep a record of their income and expenses prefer, as a rule, to open a "Tenth" or "Tithing Account," crediting this account with one-tenth of their entire net income and charging it with all paid out for Christian work.

"What constitutes my net income?"

If you are a farmer, it is all the money you receive for the products of your farm and the cash value of all your family consumes. From this gross amount it is right to deduct before tithing, all money paid for hired help, seed, feed, taxes, insurance, etc.; also the cash outlay for repairs on buildings, farm implements, etc.

If you are a physician your net income is your entire income less your professional expenses such as office rent, medicines, cost of keeping a horse or a machine, etc.

If you are a minister, it is the total amount you receive less traveling and other expenses connected with your parish and ministerial duties.

If you are a merchant or a manufacturer or a banker, of course you keep accurate accounts. Your net income is the gross profits of your business less strictly business, but not family or personal expenses.

If you are a mechanic, or employe and wage-worker in any capacity, whether by the day, month or year, your net income is your total income less legitimate business expenses connected with your work, such as car fare, etc.

"Suppose I am in debt. Should I not pay my debts before tithing my income?"

No. As well talk about not paying the interest on the money you borrow to use in business because you owe your grocer or other debts. Your Tithe is of all debts the most sacred. Under such a rule, all you would have to do to escape all obligations to give or pay anything would be to keep in debt. Besides (the universal experience of the very large number who have commenced

tithing while in debt has been that with the remaining nine-tenths they were able to pay their other debts more easily and promptly than they had previously succeeded in doing.

"Is the tenth all I should give?"

I have never known, nor heard of, anyone who did not give more than the tenth after practicing tithing for a year or two. Have you? Tithers call all beyond the tenth "Free Will Offerings." But talk of giving more than the tenth by or to those who do not believe in and practice tithing, is like trying to solve problems in mathematics by people who have not learned and do not believe in the multiplication table.

"Suppose I am able to support my family only by close economy; should I pay one-tenth?"

Yes. And if for no other reason than because the remaining nine-tenths will go further.

"Strange logic that. Can it really be true?"

I believe it to be absolutely true, and the reasons are based on the personal testimony of thousands, who have tested it. Will you not try it and prove its truthfulness? Now, I admit that if you should do it for this purpose only, you would, or at least ought to be, disappointed. But I take it for granted that you are a Christian, that you do want to honor God with your substance, that you do trust His promises, and that you want to do your duty. With these motives you will not be disappointed.

"To what objects should I devote the tenth of my income?"

The most comprehensive and, to me, satisfactory answer is that it can be properly applied to every cause which has for its object the upbuilding and advancement of Christ's Kingdom, commencing with the free, strong and hearty support of your own church and pastor.

"What does the advancement of Christ's Kingdom include?"

In my opinion it includes anything you give without expectation or hope of repayment, or even partial pecuniary reward, for the purpose of making people purer, better and happier through faith in Christ and faith in you as an unselfish follower of Christ.

"Suppose that for the present I am not quite decided to adopt tithing my income, but that I resolve to be more liberal. Will not that answer?"

Liberal in what? Paying only a portion of your debt? You owe the tithe. Liberality does not commence until that has been paid.

"Why is tithing an antidote to selfishness?"

Because when you tithe your income as it is received, you put God first. When you refuse to tithe, or, in other words, when you refuse to devote in advance a definite proportion of your income to God's service and work, you put self first. There is no middle ground.

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WEEK OF COMPASSION

Gifts to aid the needy of the world are coming in. Have you made your contribution? Sign your name and drop your offering into the collection plate at the Morning Worship service and you will receive credit for it. In a few weeks the Treasurer will send the total offerings to this fund on to Headquarters and this church will receive acknowledgement.

OFFICIAL BOARD

The Official Board will meet Wednesday, March 6th at 7:45 P.M.

The C.B.'s will vote on their Constitution March 10th.

MEN'S FORUM

The Men's Forum will meet Sunday evening, March 3rd, at a 6:30 dinner, at the church.

LA KODA CLASS

New Officers: President, Miss Kathryn Leversee, Vice-President, Miss Doris Jean Sweeney, Secretary-Treasurer, Nelson Lucas. The lesson for March 3rd will be led by Harold Martin.

ELDERRS SCHEDULED FOR MARCH

March 3, P. H. Somers, Dale Parkerson.
March 10, Myron Cole, H. G. Hiler.
March 17, Robert Clipp, Alex. M. Campbell.

March 24, J. F. Davis, A. O. Schell.
March 31, B. W. Leversee, W. C. Birkhold.

If you are unable to serve, please call your Chairman, Mr. Myron Cole.

DEACONS SCHEDULED FOR MARCH

Martin Kimble,	Grant T. Munson
Captain	Delmas Young
R. H. Cole	Joe W. Clark
Leo E. Miller	Dempsey Weaver
Clay Orchard	

If you are unable to serve please call your Captain.

ILLNESS

Mrs. W. A. Ford is critically ill in St. Joseph's Hospital. She is in room 319.

WOMAN'S COUNCIL

The ESTHER group will meet with Mrs. Merle Teeters, 311 Elizabeth St., Wednesday, March 6th. Mrs. Myrtle Strout, Assistant hostess.

The RACHEL group will meet with Mrs. J. M. Miller, 3008 S. Lafayette St., Tuesday, March 5th, at 2 o'clock. Mrs. H. W. Sigrist will give the devotions, Mrs. M. Wagner in charge of program.

The DORCAS group will meet with Mrs. E. Fusselman, 1308 E. Wayne St., Thursday, March 7th at 2 o'clock.

The RUTH group will meet with Mrs. Leo Miller, 2210 Ardmore Avenue, Tuesday, March 5th at 2 o'clock.

The NAOMI group will meet with Mrs. E. N. Schlatter, 926 Lake Avenue, Wednesday, March 6th at 2 o'clock. M. S. Don Eyer will be assistant hostess.

The MARTHA group will meet in the social room of the church, Wednesday, March 6th. A 2 o'clock dessert luncheon will be served. This is GUEST DAY. Come and bring a friend.

PARENT ENROLL YOUR CHILD

Many children are now at the age when they should be considering the claims of Christ and His church. Parents talk this over with your boys and girls, then have your youth enroll in the preparation class which will be held on Sunday morning at the Sunday School hour.

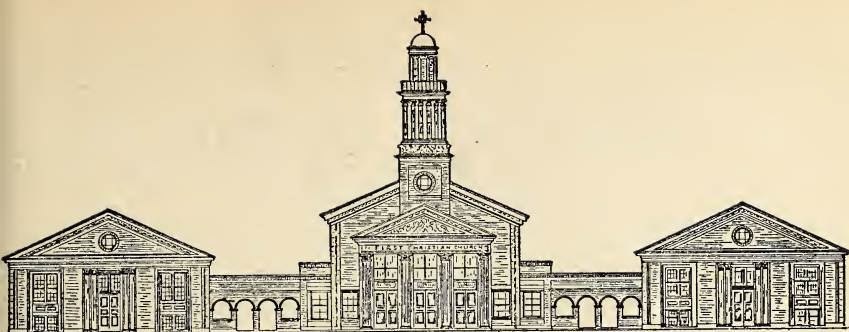
Sunshine is delicious, rain is refreshing, wind braces us up, snow is exhilarating; there is no such thing as bad weather—only different kinds of good weather.

"Man can do without friends, but not without his neighbors."

—African proverb.

Stout Simon bore my Savior's cross
Along that weary road;
God, let me help to bear the weight
Of Simon's brothers' load.

—P. H. J. Lerrigo.



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Morning Worship 10:30 A. M.

Church School 9:30 A. M.

PROFESSOR ROBERT H. MILLER

Manchester College

North Manchester, Indiana

Professor Miller will be our speaker Sunday, March 10th. His subject is "Prayer"

Let Us Keep Lent

Emerson declared that Jesus' name "was not so much written as plowed into the history of the world." WHY HAS HIS NAME BEEN SO UNIQUE IN HISTORY? WHY WAS THE STORY OF HIS LIFE EVER WRITTEN? A great conviction possessed the early writers. Those who knew Him on earth were sure that this was a matter of life and death. Never was this truer than today. Not more laws, or a great Navy, or a U.N.O. can save the world. It is the spirit that actuated these first Christians that will determine life and death in an Atomic Age for humanity.

Paul refers to this life as the more excellent way. There are two kinds of forces or courage, one that strikes—this is vividly before us today, and what havoc surrounds us—the other, that endures and loves.

The first, whose symbol is the sword, seeks to destroy evil with another evil, blow for blow. The later receives the blow instead of returning it, absorbs it and exhausts it, in love. This is the meaning of the Cross. This is the true expression of the Church of our Master. This Way is His Way. The more excellent way of life.

Honoring His name in Lent should sober us in this year of peace and should find us in church every Sunday.

Your Church Calls You to Worship Sunday

DOES TITHING PAY?

Some Testimonials

In "A Tithing Autobiography," by "Layman," the reader will find a full account of why Thomas Kane commenced the circulation of tithing literature. Briefly, it was to obtain definite answers to the above question, "Does tithing pay?"

Pamphlet No. 2, "What We Owe and How to Pay It," was first published about the year 1878. In millions of copies circulated since that time the following paragraph had a prominent place:

"My belief is that God blesses in temporal as well as in spiritual things those who honor Him by setting apart a stated portion of their income to His service. I have never known an exception. Have you? Please give me any facts within your personal knowledge on this subject. Especially give the facts if you know of any exceptions."

During more than forty years Mr. Kane received thousands of replies. Probably less than a dozen thought themselves exceptions, and subsequent correspondence plainly indicated the lack of prosperity was due to other causes.

During the year 1913-14, the following question was published in a large number of religious newspapers in this country and Canada:

"Have you ever known anyone who was less happy, less generous or less financially prosperous from being a tither?"

A total of more than 10,000 "No" replies were received; not one "Yes." Only a small proportion were satisfied to give a mere negative but added something by way of emphasis.

Facts have far greater influence than arguments. The condensed facts which follow not only do their own talking; they do, or ought to do their own convincing.

Testimonials

"I have been tithing for about twenty-five years, and have also done all I could to get others to do the same. I have never known any one who was not happier or more blessed than if he had not been a tither. Of course, we sometimes have losses, and feel hard times, as at present, but in some way God always supplies the need when the time comes, and gives us the happiness of having something for His work too."

"One man in particular, the public school janitor, is giving not only his tithe to the support of his own church and her missions, but a few

days ago gave \$15.00 to a mission church in a neighboring village just opening. When I reproached him on giving more than the Lord required, his reply was, 'I have not suffered any, it does me good.' His very life is an expression of his love for the Kingdom."

"Five years ago I first became a tither. I tithed for two years. The next year I gave one-ninth. The next year I gave one-eighth. Last year I gave one-seventh. This year I am giving one-seventh. If life be spared next year I want to give one-sixth. As a result I can truthfully say that I am more happy, more generous, and more financially prosperous."

"Myself and wife are the only ones in our church that tithe our income. I am a poor man, and God has given me money to meet all needs ever since we paid the Lord His tenth. We do more than that, for we make free will offerings, and are abundantly blessed with health and enjoy His Church greatly in every department. Our pastor told me we paid more for Missions than any other member of the Church, and we have some rich members. When there is a call made for money, ours is always there, and the collector does not have to wait or call again. It is paid on the spot."

"When in Sydney, Australia, I knew a man who started tithing, who was then a comparatively poor man; a baker by trade. He prospered wonderfully and gave largely. He used to say he 'could not send out of the front door goods and money for the Lord as quickly as the Lord sent them in at the back door.'"

"My mother was a widow for about 50 years. She worked hard, raised two girls, educated them in music and tithed. I am a widow with a son and daughter, and am giving them a Business College course. I teach music to support them. I pay more than the tithe, as the tenth is not mine. It makes us hustle and economize, but we have good health and are happy."

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We believe that the Tithe law was created, not for God's benefit, but for the benefit of the giver, for it not only makes Christ a partner in our business, to prosper us and to keep us from covetousness, but it gives every true Tither his part in soul saving efforts, no matter how weak and worthless he may seem to be in other Church activities. This thought builds character and keeps many a weak one from back-sliding. (Ps. 50:12.) (1 Cor. 9:6.) (2 Chron. 31:5-10.)—Justin Prescott.

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Dear Friends:

Last Sunday we started to register the attendance at the Worship service. It is our plan to do this each Sunday until Easter. If you were there last Sunday, continue to be loyal and be present each Sunday throughout this period. If you were not there, make a special effort to begin this coming Sunday and be 100 percent thereafter.

Your presence not only acknowledges Christ's invitation to His Table, thereby strengthening your own Christian life, but it also affords you the opportunity to register the name of some person who should be worshiping and working with us.

Add strength to the greatest organization in the world today by being present Sunday.

Walter C. Birkhold,
Chairman Evangelistic Committee

Evening Guild

The Evening Guild will meet with Miss Lorea Sheline, 4125 S. Warsaw St., Monday evening, March 11th at 8 o'clock. Miss Pearl Heidecker and Miss Harriet Treace will give the program. The topic: The Work of the Disciples in Africa.

C.B.'s

The C.B.'s will vote on their Constitution on March 10th.

Young Married People

The Young Married People's Sunday School Class of First Christian Church will have a social at the home of Mrs. H. W. Sigrist, 2326 S. Webster St. Wednesday, March 13th at 7:45 P.M. Please come.

Teen Agers

The Teen-Agers C.Y.F. will have a Dine-A-Mite at 5:30 Sunday evening. Miss Virginia Dare will have charge of the program.

Week of Compassion

Have you made YOUR gift for the hunger of humanity? We urge you to have a share in this cause. There is still little time for you to take care of it.

Sympathy

Rev. Fred R. Davies, long time District Evangelist of the Christian churches in southern Indiana, and recently pastor of our church at Charleston, Indiana, passed away September 14th, 1945. He was born in England and was the step-father of Mr. C. J. Sharp. Mrs. W. A. Ford was for many years a member of First Christian. She passed away Friday, March 1. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to these families in their sorrow.

Victorious Living

NOTICE: Listen each week day at 7:25 A.M. over WGL to VICTORIOUS LIVING. It is worth your time.

REMEMBER US

By Grace Noll Crowell

We are the ones, Lord, who will be elected

To bear the brunt of life now war has ceased;

We are the ones whose lives will be affected—

We pray, Lord, for a just a righteous peace.

Guide every heart and mind of men who ponder

The great decisions they must some day make.

Remember us, when in that city yonder

They come together—guide them for our sake.

We had no part in this, the world's disaster,

We had no voice at all, yet through the years

We may be tortured by it, gracious Master.

Our heritage should be laughter and not tears,

We are so young, so eager-hearted ever

To do our part if you but point the way,

Help us to climb the high peaks of endeavor

Despite our time . . . Remember us, we pray.



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Church School 9:30 A. M.

Morning Worship 10:30 A. M.

JOSEPH B. HUNTER,

Guest Speaker, Sunday, March 17th,

National Director of Peace and Interracial understanding in the Department of Social Welfare of the United Christian Missionary Society.
Dr. Hunter was assistant director at Rohwer Relocation Center during 1942-1944. He has an article published in the March 1946, World Call.

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LENTEN MEDITATION

"Righteousness Without Carefulness"

The first disciples knew many of the sayings of Jesus. Later they were to be written down. But, then as now it is not philosophy or creeds, the essential need is the power of God.

When they were away from the Master, they lacked power to face the opposition of evil, therefore, they denied Him, forsook Him.

Later they learned the meaning of the promise, "Lo, I am with you always." He not only knocks at the door, as the artist depicts. Even more important for us is His inquiry, "Shall we walk together".

The serenity of the Christian comes to him primarily because he knows his Master is equal to all possible situations. The Christian does not consider how he will get out of some scrape. "Take no thought of what you should say for at that time it will be given you."

You need have no fear for the future, face it calmly. You do not have to walk with carefulness. The one important thing is **TO STAY CLOSE TO HIM WITHIN RANGE OF HIS VOICE.**

In this situation and every situation we have our Master's invitation to His table. We need Him. At all times He is ready to go with us. So long as He is with you, you can be without carefulness.

Your Church Calls You to Worship Sunday

Do We Give, or Do We Pay?

By DAN B. BRUMMITT

There is a lot of confusion about this Tithing idea; it is the least satisfactory religious idea that I ever hear Christians discuss.

Why? How?

Well it is so flat-footed, as you might say; "take it or leave it."

You do or you don't. And that's all there is to it. Now, when Christians talk about prayer, they get along beautifully. If one has a notion regarding prayer that is a little different from the other's, it is all right. So with studying the Bible, or going to church, or your favorite hymns.

Isn't it pretty much the same way about tithing?

No, nor anything like it. If you tithe, you pay a tenth of your income to the work of God. If you don't, you "give," according to some scheme of your own, or as you happen to feel, or what you gave last year, or "about what is right," or "as much as most other people."

But what is the difference?

Dear, dear; the slowness of some people. The tithe is a tenth. The tenth is the part which you put aside for religious uses. It is like rent, or interest. The rate is fixed. You don't say you "give" the landlord his rent. You pay it. Uncle Sam doesn't "give" you the interest on your U. S. Bonds. He pays it.

Yes, I can see that. But why should you "pay" anything for the work of God? Isn't a Christian free from all bondage to the ancient law? Why can't you give as you are able, without bothering your head over rates and words and names?

Because you **are** free. Who freed you? Who is responsible for your prosperity, such as it is? Who really "owns" what you hold? Who is first in your life? Yourself, or God?

Why there is only one answer. God, certainly. He made me what I am, and would have done better if I had let him. He has the right of way. He is the owner of all. No Christian questions that.

O, yes, some Christians do. But you have the right answer. Now, if God has right of way and is owner of all, how are you going to recognize that? I mean, how will you admit that he really owns what you possess? Uncle Sam admits your ownership of a Liberty Bond, not by thanking you for your help in financing the government. That would be nice; but he pays you the exact interest, no more, no less. Same way with your landlord; you don't expect to satisfy him with praises of the house. You pay him the rent.

But how can you pay God money?

You can't, of course. But God has a lot of faith in you. You are his child. You believe in his plan to save all men, beginning with yourself. And he is willing that you shall take this money of his, and spend it for him, to help carry on this plan of his. Always remembering that the money is his, not yours. And that's where the idea of stewardship comes in; the relation of one who is trusted to use another person's property for that other person's purposes.

Very well; but what has all this to do with the tithe? Some poor people would find a tenth too much, and some rich people ought to spend more.

As to the poor, two things. I never heard of a tither who, being poor, complained that the tithe was too much. He isn't looking for sympathy. And then, it is one of the basic things, like the pay for the roof that shelters him. Up to the point of actual poverty, when the public should step in, every man expects to pay his house rent.

All right; supposing that everybody can afford a tenth. When a man becomes more prosperous, why should he not pay at least a tenth, and as much more as he can?

There is neither minimum nor maximum to a fixed charge. It is what it is. Would you offer to pay more rent, just because your salary had been raised?

No, because I don't believe in making presents to my landlord.

Right you are. But wouldn't you enjoy making presents to God by giving to his work? And, after you have paid your tithe, that's your grand and glorious Gospel privilege. Go as far as you like then. It is one of the finest joys of the Christian life.

Maybe so, but what is the practical difference?

All the difference, between paying an honest debt, which is a pleasant thing, and being able to offer a grateful gift, which is pleasant in quite another fashion. If you paid no tithe, but considered you owed everything to God, you would always be in debt, and would miss the joy of real giving. The alabaster box of precious ointment would mean nothing to you.

Yes; and yet why not encourage the larger offerings? Aren't they needed, and badly?

I don't discourage them. But I tell you this, that if one may venture to guess at the purposes of God, he is infinitely more anxious that all his children should admit his claim than that a few should make large gifts. And the proof is, that not enough Christian work could be done in the world to exhaust the tithes of Christians, if all were tithers. The tithe would provide the means for as many workers, as much equipment, as could possibly be used.

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GENERAL COUNCIL

The general meeting of the Woman's Council will be held in the evening of March 19th, at the church. The executive will meet at 7:15 and the program will be at 8:00. The Evening Guild Circle will be in charge and the Dorcas Circle will serve as hostess.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the church will be held on the next Family night which will be on March 31st. DEPARTMENTS WHO HAVE NOT YET SENT IN THEIR REPORTS please do so on or before **Sunday, March 17th.** These reports should come from the treasurers and secretaries of all departments of the church school and Church, including organized classes and groups.

TIDING NOTES

PREPARING FOR MEMBERSHIP

Christian parents will consider their children's decision about the most important relationship in life. Membership in the Church of Christ. Each Sunday, classes have been arranged for children of the church, at the Sunday School hour. These are being taught by Mrs. David Hogg and Mrs. Robert T. Beck. See that your boy and girl enrolls in one of these classes.

WEEK OF COMPASSION

We have not come up to our goal for the relief of the suffering peoples of the world. All we can possibly do, for this relief and for our missionary cause, which has been so terribly wrecked, is a privilege. The goal is an average of \$10.00 for every man and woman, who is now or has been in the Service. The opportunity is still open to you.

ILLNESS

Mrs. Marcel Martin, 2819 S. Monroe St., is a patient in room 414, Methodist hospital.

Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

—Matthew 11:28.

MY CHURCH AND MY MONEY

"I belong to the church. My Church cannot prosper without money. My Church has a right to expect me to share my money for its development.

"My Church is Christ's Church. A share of my money is His money. He helped me to make it.

"I cannot make money alone. My neighbors or society help me to make money. God also helps me to make money. He created the earth and man. He is the owner of us all.

"My money, being created jointly, is jointly owned by all. It is a partnership. I am a trustee of God's share.

"My Church has taught me that money is the servant, not the master, of men. I shall, therefore, make money serve my God, my neighbor, my family, and me.

My Church's money, of which I am steward, shall be administered honestly. I will not cheat the Church. I will not withhold from God that which rightly belongs to Him.

My Church, of necessity, has a treasury. I will pay money regularly into that treasury. I will give back to my Silent Partner a share of the money which He helps me to make."

A LIVING THING

The BUDGET is a living thing—it walks and talks, loves and laughs and saves and serves. It sings! It is not cold, harsh figures. It is loving deeds and words of faith that kindles hope that brings Christ right to many. It represents the hopes and dreams, the prayers and sacrificial service of hundreds of members. In it, if you look, you can see the devotion of ministers, musicians and missionaries. Give it your attention and your support.

The church cannot be beautiful and strong with gifts withheld and words unspoken, **WHATEVER** the reason. It can be powerful and lovely only through the outpouring of blessings received and shared. (Copied from the "Central Christian Call," Springfield, Mo.)



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Guest Speaker, Sunday, March 24th, 1946

Rev. J. D. Montgomery

National Director of Adult Education and Christian Family Life.

Department of Religious Education, United Christian Missionary Society
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Rev. Montgomery was for 20 years Missionary for Disciples of Christ in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Our Trust in Ourselves and in God

Many of us are like those who are trying to learn to swim who act as though swimming rested only on their own efforts. They will nigh exhaust themselves as they work their arms and legs frantically thinking thereby to keep themselves afloat. If they are to become good swimmers, they must learn how to resign themselves and trust to the water. They must discover by experience that the water will hold them up. Water is to the swimmer a friendly support.

Yes, we are fretful and worried, and we struggle as though everything depended on our efforts until we exhaust ourselves. When we learn to throw ourselves upon the strength and goodness of God, we can discover through experience that God is able to hold us up.

We can learn the serenity, Peace and wisdom of those whose strength is in the Lord. Our Master chides us when He says, "Oh ye of little faith." Trust God and let us launch out and discover the joy and peace of those who feel the support and strength of God.

Lent is the Time

Lent is the time to review our Master's supreme effort to save mankind. Like Him, we can use this time for great effort to share Christ and the Christian life with those about us. There are those that ought to be on the heart of each of us with the desire to win them to Christ and His church.

The week of April 8th has been set aside as a time for our church to especially invite our neighbors to become Christians. If you know of those who should belong to our Church, please turn their names into the office at once.

What We Owe, and How to Pay It

By THOMAS KANE

One of the famous original Kane tracts. It has been read by millions.

"Why should I devote a certain definite proportion of my income to God and His work in the world?"

The first and very much the most important reason is, because it is God's law, or principle, if you prefer the word, having its origin in the mind and will of God; and the second, because you thereby promote your spiritual and temporal interests. In short, it pays. Pays in the highest and best sense of the word. Pays in spiritual blessings, pays in temporal prosperity, pays in peace of mind in having a question of duty settled. Transfers from you to your Heavenly Father the responsibility of how much it shall be; permits Him to decide whether it shall be little or much as He prospers you.

"I am afraid I cannot afford it."

It is natural that you should name this objection first, as it is the chief obstacle with nearly all Christians. But you can. If you will try it you will keep it up because you will find that you cannot afford not to do it. I mean in dollars and cents. Your objection is from the temporal standpoint and so is the reply. Did you ever try it? Ever know a business man, professional man, farmer, or worker for wages who had tried it and was not more than satisfied with the results? Thousands, tens of thousands of laymen in the United States and other countries are doing it and have been for years. If there are exceptions they ought to be known.

"Is it not wrong to appeal to my love of gain in this matter?"

Do you not pray for God's blessing on your temporal affairs? Do you mean what you say when you do? Do you not daily ask for the promised wisdom that you may be guided by it in all your duties? Do you keep your business, or daily labor, or your profession separate from your religion? Don't you work for gain? Gain, that you may care for those you love and those who are dependent upon you? Gain, that you may give them every advantage within your power? Gain, that you may do much more than this: that you may have to give and do for others; that you may the more liberally aid and support those who give themselves to charitable, benevolent and Christian work; that you may give more for the spread of Christ's Kingdom in the earth? Is it wrong to pray for temporal prosperity with these objects in view?

"But are there no higher motives?"

There may be, but it is the temporal side of the question we are talking about—the practical side to you and me. You and I are laymen, not ministers; we don't preach; we are not mis-

sionaries. We may have to work hard and constantly to make ends meet, and care for our households and loved ones. Yet we owe something to others, do we not? Something to God, in practical recognition of the fact that to Him directly or indirectly we owe all we have or possibly can have.

"But we cannot pay what we owe to God personally."

True, but you can pay it through His agents, by which is meant your pastor, your church officials, your missionaries, in short, through every man or institution devoted to building up Christ's Kingdom and depending for support upon the contributions of Christians.

"How much do we owe?"

God says one-tenth, the tithe. Surely He should know.

"Is this all we owe? Do we not owe everything to Him?"

Certainly, inasmuch as everything really belongs to Him. There is only so much money, so much property in the world. That which you now call yours belonged to some one else before it came to you, and it will belong to yet another when you leave it, but while in your possession you are accountable for its use. God does not ask that you pay it all back at once or that you transfer it to others, but He does ask and remember **for your sake**, and for **your own good**, for some constant practical recognition of His ownership and your stewardship. Whether you accept the fact or not, you are His steward for the entire amount, and you, and not another, must render an account for all He lends you.

200% Profit

Such letters as the following touch the heart and conscience of all of us.

"One year ago I wrote to you about tithing, this being my first year. I will report to you the facts as they are today with me.

"While I paid up in full and was obliged at times to add more to it, as you know I was a section hand at \$3.20 a day when I started, and I could not see my way clear at first. At times the Lord tested my faith but I always took out the Lord's amount first.

"I cannot explain just how it all happened. There is a blessing everywhere—in the flour bin, groceries, wages, gardens, sickness—things happen all unexpected, all in my favor. Today I am sub-foreman at \$160 a month and I did not run after the job either, so you see I have to increase my tithe quite a bit. You may think this is bragging on myself but it is the truth.

"I begin to believe that tithing is the best paying business out, for it has paid me nearly two hundred per cent on money invested. You have a safe bet that I will keep it up. If this testimony will help another beginner, you can print it."

Layman Tithing Foundation, 8 S. Dearborn St., Chicago 3, Ill.

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Preparation Classes

There is still time to enroll your boy or girl in the class for Church membership. See that they make use of this opportunity. The class is held each Sunday at the Church School hour, 9:30 to 10:30.

Sincere Sympathy

William Adams, aged 80, died at his home in Washington State, last Thursday. Mr. Adams was the brother of Mrs. Monroe W. Fitch. Our sincere sympathy goes out to Mrs. Fitch and her family in their hour of sorrow.

Illness

Miss Mildred Hutchinson is a patient in Lutheran Hospital. We pray she will make an early recovery and be out among us again soon.

Young Married People's Class

The Young Married Peoples Class is meeting regularly at the southwest side of the Church. Let's have a fine attendance Sunday.

Loyal Reapers

The Loyal Reapers class will meet with Miss Pearl Heidecker, 4001 Indiana Avenue, Friday evening, March 22nd, Mrs. Olga Heidecker will be the assisting hostess.

Toys! Toys! Toys!

The Nursery is in need of toys for the children. Do you have toys that are still in good condition, that your children have outgrown or have tired of? If so, please call Mrs. J. C. Gerrard, 2620 Central Drive, H-35021. Mrs. Gerrard will be happy to make minor repairs or make them presentable for the children's use.

Returned Service Men

The Church wishes to honor the men and women who have returned from Service. Will the families please send in these names. We should be sorry to miss any one of our fine men or women.

Wedding Bells

Miss Thelma R. Trumbower and Marion Richard Bailey, March 16th. This young couple will make their home at 1817 College Street.

Miss Norma Josephine Pugh and Charles Albert Lundy, March 8th.

My Heart Makes Its Own Weather

My heart makes its own weather,
So let the world grow gray;
My heart starts saying April
When April's far away.

In spite of rain and reason
And winter on the wing,
My heart has its own season,
And my heart says it is spring!

Blow wind and bitter weather,
Come care and whistling cold,
An April heart will never
Grow gray or crabbed or old.

Time is a wrinkled treason;
Age is an old untruth.
Heart, keep your changeless season,
Green April, golden youth!
—Freeman.

April

April 14: Palm Sunday
April 19: Good Friday
April 21: Easter.

This is victory month. Each of your group already a member of the church will want to bring his friends into this fellowship.

Love

In an occupied land
There was misery and woe
Until Christ came . . .
And Love dared grow!
—Mayme Garner Miller

"It is the duty of nations as well as of men to own their dependence upon the overruling power of God, and to invoke the influence of his Holy Spirit; to confess their sins and transgressions in humble sorrow, yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon."



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MORNING WORSHIP 10:30 A.M.

Our pastor will be with us again Sunday, conducting the worship and will bring the morning sermon:

"BEING NEAR TO GOD"

Beautiful music from our choir, great hymns for our congregational singing. Reverent periods of prayer and meditation. The sacred celebration of the Lord's Supper, in the inspiration of the Unseen Presence. COME ON TIME. EXPERIENCE THIS DIVINE FELLOWSHIP. PREPARE YOUR HEART FOR EASTER.

WE SHALL HONOR OUR RETURNED VETERANS THIS SUNDAY.

FAMILY NIGHT DINNER, 6:00 P.M.—Annual Meeting.

The play, "The Bishop's Candle Sticks" will be given by the Christian Builders.

CHURCH SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.

Goals to be set for Easter Sunday. Be present THIS SUNDAY.

Lenten Meditation

OUR PASTOR'S LETTER

Dear Members:

Your prayers, your continued concern, your many expressions of Christian love for your pastor and his family have hastened him along the road to recovery.

Few things could endear a people to their pastor more than this experience of loyalty and love. Your devotion, dear friends, to the church has been magnificent. Surely there is a great work for us to do together for Christ and His Church.

Mrs. Beck joins me in sincere appreciation for the fine consideration and kindnesses which you individually and officially have shown both of us and our daughter. We can think of nothing you have left undone.

It encourages me for these days of regaining strength to know that your thoughtfulness will continue for your pastor in the immediate days ahead until I shall be completely restored, as gradually I shall be enabled to take over the great program we are planning ahead for the church.

May God bless each and every one of you.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Beck



● That They May Live

A District Health Council has been organized in the area of Mexican Christian Institute, San Antonio, for the purpose of serving the 3,000 families in the neighborhood. This large population is served by one Public Health Nurse who conducts three clinics a week at Mexican Christian Institute. Mr. E. G. Luna, director of the Institute, is chairman of the new council.

The first major job will be toward cutting down the very high infant mortality rate of the neighborhood. This will be done through house-to-house visitation by a group of housewives recruited for this particular job, and who will be given special training for the work.

This district health council grew out of Mexican Christian Institute's health committee which previously handled health work in the immediate vicinity of the community center.



● We Believe

Three unifying elements in our common citizenship are the belief in a loving Heavenly Father, in the intrinsic worth of human beings, and in the imperative of

moral duty. These elements are present in the spirit and the teachings of secular schools and they are given added personal relevance and doctrinal reinforcement by the home and by the church school.

Secular education and religious education are not only compatible with each other but complementary in character. They are twin pillars of democracy. Upon them rests a responsibility for building citizens worthy of the spiritual inheritance which is ours as a people.

—DR. JOHN W. STUDEBAKER,
U. S. Commissioner of Education.



● Dedicated to Mankind

McLean Conference Grounds in Puerto Rico serves not only our own Mission, but all other Protestant groups on the Island. When E. Stanley Jones visited there, it was host to a conference of 150 Christian workers from all Protestant bodies for three days. Another week was given over to a retreat for ministers of the Episcopal Church.

To our own program of young people's conferences, there was added this year an Intermediate Conference with attendance limited to 60.

Each year sees the uses of this beautiful conference ground multiplied. It is a valuable unit in our Mission equipment in Puerto Rico. During the years of the war, with thousands of service men stationed on the Island, a major service has been to young men of the armed forces who found at McLean an opportunity to relax and to mingle with other Christian young people. The effectiveness of this service is shown in the fact that recently three of these young men who had been going regularly to McLean have dedicated their lives to the Christian ministry. One is already out of the service and in a seminary. Two others will be out soon and will start their preparation for the ministry.

*"Men Ought Always
To Pray"*



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Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Bowker are the proud parents of a son born Sunday, March 24th. Mother and babe are in room 403, Methodist Hospital and doing fine.

Our Sympathy

To J. W. Haffner and his sons, Richard and James in the loss of Mrs. Haffner. This family has been very faithful to the church, coming about eight miles each Sunday to church. Mrs. Haffner was a splendid teacher and often lead the Friendly Bible Class. Mr. Haffner is a deacon in our church. This splendid family were members of the church through deep conviction. The church has suffered a loss in the passing of this Christian wife and mother.

The Children's Community Lenten Church Service

The Children's Community Lenten Church Service originally scheduled for Friday, April 5th, has been changed to Thursday, April 4th at 3 P.M. **Please note this change.** The members of the massed choir will meet in the Trinity English Lutheran Church at Wayne and Ewing Sts., on Saturday, March 30th at 10:30 A.M., for practice. A picture will be taken of this group at that time. You are requested to call Miss Brimmer, A-2733 on Monday to tell her approximately how many will attend the service. Each child will be presented with a picture, "The Light of the World."

Friendly Bible Class

The Friendly class will meet with Mrs. H. W. Sigrist, 2326 S. Webster St., Friday evening, April 5th at 8:00.

First Quarter Ends Next Sunday Bring Your Offering Up-to Date

The giving of our people has been good for this first quarter. It is possible to make this an exceptional quarter in this respect, if each one of us brings our offering up-to-date. In the early issues of the April Tidings the names of those who have their pledges paid to date will be printed under the Honor Roll.

Woman's Council

The RACHEL Circle will meet with Mrs. O. G. Schell, 3010 So. Lafayette St., Tuesday, April 2nd, at 2:00 P.M. Mrs. M. Wagner will have charge of the devotions and Mrs. F. H. Rogers has the program. Please bring your articles for the Philippine Relief Box.

The NAOMI Circle will meet with Mrs. David Hogg, 2125 No. Anthony, Wednesday, April 3rd. Mrs. H. Briley, R.R. 4, Bluffton Rd., will be the assistant hostess.

The DORCAS Circle is postponing their meeting until April 10th.

The RUTH Circle will meet with Mrs. Estella Binkley, 1006 Taylor St., Tuesday, April 2nd, at 2:00 P.M. Miss Flora Gilmore will be the assistant hostess.

The MARTHA Circle will meet with Mrs. Wm. Coblenz, 1129 Kinnaird, Wednesday, April 3rd. Mrs. Flora Virts will be assistant hostess.

The ESTHER Circle will meet with Mrs. Ray Dale, 640 Hoffman St., Wednesday, April 3rd, at 2:00 P.M. Mrs. E. R. Baker will be assisting hostess.

Family Night

The Martha Group will be in charge of Family Night. We are having a planned **carry-in** menu, meat loaf, scalloped potatoes, salad, desert, rolls, jelly, coffee. Each family is asked to bring one dish of **either** meat loaf, scalloped potatoes or salad to serve several persons. The desert, rolls, coffee and cream will be furnished. Church table service and dishes will be used. If further information is needed call your group leader or Mrs. Dilts, H-3071.

Correspondence

A letter of thanks to the congregation of First Christian from Mr. J. W. Haffner, Richard and James Haffner and the Misses Gertrude, Mildred and Agnes Fowler.

Teen-Age C.Y.F.

The Teen-agers will meet next Sunday evening, March 31st in the Children's House at 5:00 P.M.



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FORT WAYNE, INDIANA, APRIL 4, 1946

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Morning Worship 10:30 A.M.

A great congregation greeted our Minister last Sunday. The music was splendid. The congregational singing was unusual. The worship was most reverent.
DO NOT MISS THIS FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIANS ABOUT OUR LORD'S TABLE.

Sermon This Sunday BELIEVE IN THE GOOD DAYS

Our minister will bring this message this Sunday.
Continue to come on time. The Prelude begins at 10:25 — The Choir will be in their places at 10:30 A.M.

CHURCH SCHOOL AT 9:30 A.M. Many are indicating in advance that they will be present at the Church School on Easter.

Increase Our Attendance Each Sunday.

THE MEN'S FORUM — SUNDAY EVENING — 6:00 P.M.

Fine Dinner Meeting. Singing, Fellowship. Subject: "Television—Today, Tomorrow." Speaker: MR. B. RAY CUMMINS, Vice-president of Farnsworth Television and Radio Corporation. Mr. Cummins is one of the inventors of Television.
THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR EVERY MAN IN THE CHURCH. Come bring a friend with you. No dinner charge. Offering will be taken.

VISITATION

April 8th to 12th. Dinner 6 P.M.

Speakers—Monday: Dr. W. W. Robinson, former district superintendent for the Methodist Church for Fort Wayne Area.

Tuesday: Dr. E. D. Lowe State Secretary of the Indiana Christian Missionary Association.

Wednesday: Dale Parkerson, Superintendent of the Church School.

Thursday: Alexander Campbell, President of Men's Forum.

Friday: A. D. Schell, Chairman of the Official Board.

Our visitors will leave in teams of twos to go into the homes of prospective members to give them the invitation to join Church.

LET EVERY MEMBER TURN IN THE NAMES OF PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS TO

THE CHURCH, OR WALTER C. BIRKHOOD OR THE MINISTER.

Dinners will be served by the Esther circle with Mrs. Siples chairman, the Martha Circle with Mrs. Dilts as chairman, the Naomi Circle with Mrs. Ellison as chairman, The Ruth Circle with Mrs. Neyland as chairman, the Rachel Circle with Mrs. Wagner as chairman.

● Stewardship at Work

"There is an honor in business that is the fine gold of it; that reckons with every man justly; that loves light; that regards kindness and fairness more highly than goods or prices or profits. It becomes a man more than his furnishings or his house. It speaks for him in the heart of every one. His friendships are serene and secure. His strength is like a young tree by a river."



*Take Thou this hour, dear Lord,
Bless it I pray;
Use Thou my mind and heart
For Thee always.
Help me to give myself
My all to Thee,
That all the world may see
Its Christ through me.*

— Author Unknown.



● The Rural Church

"The rural church is the logical institution to assume leadership in the development of a rural philosophy. Many clergymen are doing an excellent job. The church, however, is handicapped as long as clergymen are poorly trained for rural work, use the rural church as an economic stepping stone or a place of retirement, remain isolated from the scientific and educational forces, and do not cooperate with fellow workers from other denominations to serve the community.

"Christianity does not have a real chance to perform its mission in the rural communities so long as such conditions exist. The farm leaders and the educational groups from agriculture have much to contribute to an understanding of rural life values and philosophy, and they are willing to cooperate with the church folks.

"The rural church has a major responsibility in many aspects of commun-

ity life — by assisting in redeeming human relationships, by providing a set of moral values, by improving the attitude toward rural life, by encouraging better treatment of the land and neighbors, and by assisting the rural individuals to develop a sound personal philosophy and spiritual foundation."

— DR. ORION ULREY,
U. S. Department of Agriculture.



● Does the Church Care?

"Among the factors making for racial tensions in the cities and with which the church must be concerned are these: inadequate housing, low income, lack of suitable social and recreational opportunities, second rate educational opportunities, and discrimination in industry, commerce and the professions. The church can not escape responsibility here."

— Dr. Jacob A. Long.



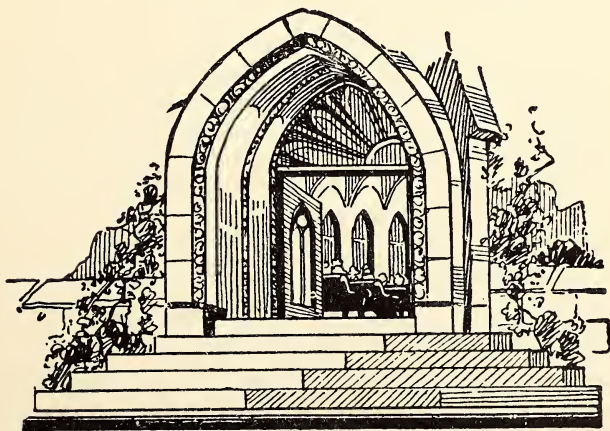
● Bibles for Japan

Responding to a request from Japan's Christian leaders, brought to this country by the commission who recently visited the Orient, The American Bible Society is preparing to print and send to Japan one million copies of the New Testament in Japanese, and 100,000 copies in English. The latter are for use in classes studying that language. The first 60,000 Japanese New Testaments are already en route.

Churches

*Beautiful is the large church,
With stately arch and steeple;
Neighborly is the small church,
With groups of friendly people;
Reverent is the old church,
With centuries of grace;
And a wooden church or a stone church
Can hold an altar place.
And whether it be a rich church
Or a poor church anywhere,
Truly it is a great church
If God is worshipped there.*

— Author Unknown.



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Illness

Mrs. Pearl Call is in room 163, Lutheran Hospital.

Mr. Paul Clum is in the Lutheran Hospital to undergo an operation.

Mrs. Delmas Young was called to Southern Indiana to the bedside of her father who suffered a severe accident when his tractor turned over.

Mr. Church, the father of Mrs. Alexander M. Campbell underwent an operation at the St. Joseph Hospital on Wednesday morning.

Thomas, the son of Alexander Campbell underwent a tonsilectomy at the Methodist Hospital on Wednesday morning.

Cordial Welcome

Miss Beverly Wells and Mrs. Charles Spradlin who made the good confession last Sunday did so on their mother's birthday. They are to be baptized next Sunday. This was an unusual birthday present for a Christian mother.

Committee on World Order

The committee on World Order for the Church will be composed of Alexander Campbell, chairman. Caly Orchard, Kenneth Lytle and John Davis. Alexander M. Campbell is a member of the Commission on World Order of the Disciples of Christ.

The New Class

John Davis is the teacher of the new class which has been organized for the young married people, many of whom are returned veterans. Wm. H. Carlisle is the new chairman of this group. A fine program is planned for this Sunday. All young people of this age are cordially invited. They will meet at the Sunday School hour.

Deacons serving in April

Arza Smith, Captain.

Luther M. Childers

Carl Wright

J. W. Haffner

Hi F. Broxon

Kenneth V. Lytle

Orville E. Miller

H. K. Pritchard

BROADCAST FRIDAY

APRIL 12th. WGIL

10:45 A.M.

The Weekday Church School Class from Franklin School, taught by Mrs. Robert M. Hopkins Jr., will broadcast Friday. This class is also taught by Miss Sarah Shroyer during the week. Miss Shroyer is chairman of our Education Committee. Tune in and hear first hand something of the work that is being done in our public school. Our Church is sharing not only financially but also in personnel in this good work.

DORCAS CIRCLE

Ray Barnett, 725 Wagner Street., Thurs-
The DORCAS Circle will meet with Mrs. day, April 10th, at 2:00 P.M.

Evening Guild

The Evening Guild will meet at the Church Monday evening, April 8h, at 8 o'clock.

Elders Serving in April

April 7th. Ray Barnett, J. Fred Riethmiller.

April 14th. Myron Cole, Dale Parker-son.

April 21st. Robert E. Clipp, H. G. Hiler.

April 28th. John F. Davis, Alex M. Campbell.

Flowers in the Church

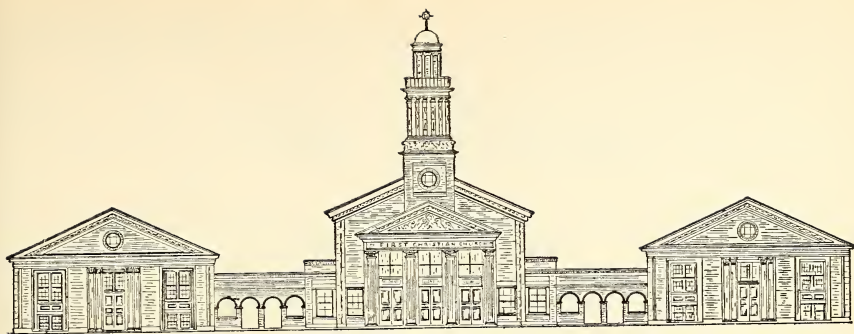
The flowers in the sanctuary were very beautiful last Sunday. Mrs. C. F. Durfee is in charge of flower arrangement for our Sunday services. Flowers this Sunday will be given by Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Carlisle in memory of their fine son Robert, who will have been laid to rest one year ago this Sunday, April 7th. Robert was an unusual young man. He united with our church while he was a patient in Irene Byron Sanitarium.

Notes

Monte Miller, in the navy, was in service last Sunday. We are glad when our service men can be with us.

Easter Sunrise Service

The C.B.'s will sponsor the Easter Sunrise Service and Breakfast.



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THIS SUNDAY IS PALM SUNDAY

On this great day of the Church year our sanctuary should be crowded with worshippers. It is a joyful Sunday, this beginning of Holy Week.

Sermon: The Man of the Street and Jesus

Our Pastor will bring the message.

The Organ Prelude will begin at 10:25 A.M. A beautiful and fitting number has been selected. This can be an opening door to worship. Come reverently and enjoy this part of the service.

Our Choir will bring a stirring anthem—Special music from our guest soloist. Children also will be received and this service and baptism will conclude the service.

SACRIFICIAL SUPPER

Sunday Evening, 8 o'clock

This service is arranged by the Women's Council. These ladies invite the whole church to join in this service. The proceeds from this service goes to world work of the church. Mrs. Robert T. Beck is the leader. Mrs. Shockey is the soloist. Others on the program include Mrs. J. R. Fitch, Mrs. Oen Vaught, Mrs. Robert M. Scott, Mrs. J. F. Davis, Mrs. Woodhull.

CHURCH SCHOOL—9:30 A.M.

The Church School is the church at study. Support by your presence this great work and important part of our church by your presence and your active participation. Bring your children, that is the right way.

PREREGISTRATION INDICATES THAT WE ARE TO HAVE A GREAT ATTENDANCE ON EASTER — BE PRESENT AND BRING A FRIEND.

— COME TO CHURCH ON PALM SUNDAY —

● READY TO WORK

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cardwell, two of our newest missionaries to Congo, have written of their delight in the fellowship of the Mission and satisfaction in getting to work at the task to which they have given themselves.

In company with Miss Gertrude Shoemaker, who has served in Congo for twenty years, Miss Agnes Rogers and Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Lewis, also new missionaries, the Cardwells left New York on October 16 and arrived at Bolenge on December 29. "What a thrill it was to come around the bend of the mighty Congo River and see Bolenge station beautifully situated on a sloping hill overlooking the water! Our boat whistled and folk began coming from all directions to meet the new missionaries. As our boat touched the shore the crowd sang a hymn, and then every face welcomed us with a smile. The missionaries on shore and the native pastor came aboard to greet us and welcome us to Bolenge. The spirit of real Christian fellowship was felt by everyone present."

The Cardwells are to be stationed at Bolenge. Already when their first letter was written, Mr. Cardwell had been out on a two-weeks trip into the back country to visit churches and schools. Travel was first by canoe, with ten paddlers, through a swamp. Then by bicycle through dense forest. At a conference of the native leaders, a group of 47 were baptized.

"The people here are responsive to Christ's new way of life, but they need much guidance and help before they can be strong Christians . . . We're happy to be here, ready to go to work." Thus they see their opportunity and their task.

● A BASIC PROBLEM

"The task of evangelizing America is not even half complete, for in the 50 per cent of the population we number as church members we have the part of our population that is easiest to reach . . . Part of the difficulty is due to the fact

that so many of the unchurched people are economically, culturally, socially, and educationally underprivileged. Their whole tone of life must be lifted as a part of the evangelizing process."

—Willard M. Wickizer.

● SUMMER WORK CAMP

Again this summer, Disciples of Christ will cooperate with the American Friends Service Committee in a work camp to be conducted on the campus of Hazel Green Academy, Hazel Green, Kentucky.

In former years the project has been to repair and improve county school houses in the area, in cooperation with the county superintendent of schools.

Last year the workers assisted in constructing a cannery on the campus of the Academy. This year the work will be largely that of staffing the cannery. Food stuffs grown in the school garden and brought in from nearby areas will be canned for shipment abroad, probably Austria. The campers will also help with the production of the food and the harvesting of it.

The buildings of Hazel Green Academy will be made available to the campers for living quarters, who pay their own expenses for the privilege of working for others for a time during the summer vacation period.

● THIS CHURCH GROWS

The Cantano Christian Church in Puerto Rico, the youngest church in that mission, is making very satisfactory progress, according to C. Manly Morton. With the Bible School averaging more than 100 and other services having a proportionately good attendance, the temporary building is already too small.

The first baptism in this congregation was in October 1944. An interesting thing about that occasion was that not one of these had ever seen a baptism by immersion before. Cantano is a thriving industrial town of more than 10,000 population.

Sing Praises

*All glory, laud, and honor
To Thee, Redeemer, King
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring . . .
To Thee, before Thy passion
They sang their hymns of praise;
To Thee, now high exalted,
Our melody we raise.*

—Theodulph of Orleans.



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Lost and Found

FOUND: 1 pair white gloves. 1 pair of tan gloves. A black umbrella. These articles are in the Church Office.

Loyal Reapers Class

The Loyal Reapers Class will entertain the Woman's Bible Class, the Friendly Class and the Men's Class Friday, April 26th at 8:00 P.M. in the Social Room of the Church. All husbands, who are not enrolled in the Men's Class, are also cordially invited.

The Woman's Council

Annual Sacrificial Service

The Woman's Council will observe the Annual Sacrificial Service on Sunday, April 14th at 8:00 P.M. at the church. This will be the first of two meetings which the women will hold in observance of Holy Week. The program theme for this meeting is "This Do In Remembrance of ME." Anyone who wishes is cordially invited to attend. The second meeting will be held on Wednesday afternoon, April 17th, at 2:15 P.M. This will replace the regular April meeting of the General Council usually held on the third Tuesday of each month.

The Executive will meet at 1:30 P.M. preceding this meeting.

C.Y.F.

The C.Y.F. Teen-agers will have a Dine-A-Mite at 5:30 Sunday, April 14th.

EASTER LILIES

Easter lilies and flowers may be given for Easter Sunday in memory of loved ones. Please notify Mrs. C. F. Durfee, or the Church Office. Have the lilies delivered Saturday morning before Easter.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Watch your newspaper and attend services in your locality. Services at the theatre each noon for down town. Good Friday services held in your neighborhood.

MAUNDY CANDLE LIGHT SERVICE

At our own church at eight o'clock in the evening. Beautiful celebration of the Lord's Supper. Our minister will be in charge and bring a short message. Be present at this service—This is your service.

Our visitation is a great success—our loyal men have been doing a real piece of work. The circles of our Council have given real support. Keep our Church growing—Extend the influence of Christ's Church.

Official Board

The Official Board will hold its regular monthly meeting, Wednesday, April 17th, at the church, at 7:45 P.M.

Young Married Peoples Class

At a meeting Saturday evening at the home of the teacher, J. F. Davis, the temporary officers were selected as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Don Eyer, co-chairmen; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Carlisle, Secretary-Treasurer. At a meeting in June, permanent officers, and a name, will be selected. A party is planned for May, details of which will be announced later. A course of study was selected based on the Bethany Course, "Faiths that Compete for my Loyalty." The class meets each Sunday morning in the east Choir room.

Illness

Miss Kathryn Leversee is at the Lutheran Hospital with an appendectomy. She is doing nicely.

Mrs. Claudia Trumbower is in room 414, Lutheran Hospital.

SEND YOUR EASTER LILY TO THE CHURCH ON SATURDAY



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EASTER SUNDAY

Services 10:30 A.M.

Organ Prelude 10:25

Sermon: Finding God on Easter

Preacher: Our Pastor, Robert T. Beck

Great Anthem by ChoirSpecial Guest Soloist

Great Congregation last SundayGreat Music—Fine singing by Congregation.

TWENTY ADDITIONS TO THE CHURCH LAST SUNDAY

Fourteen came by baptism

Many More Will Come into Church Easter Sunday

This is the time to speak to another about church membership. Make good use of this opportunity.

EASTER MEDITATION

MY PETITION

Let me not hug life's small joys smugly to my breast,

Fill me with an onward urge, Holy, sweet unrest.

Giddy heights I fain would brave, rushing torrents dare,

Take flights of fancy to the stars, climb to hill-tops fair.

Let my mind be fancy free, feet must touch the sod,

But the soul should venture forth to heights and depths and God.

This meditation was written by Ethel Fowler Haffner, wife of J. W. Haffner. Mrs. Haffner died a short time ago. While among us she often taught a class on Sunday. This is a splendid message she has left us.

EASTER CHURCH SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.

Many pre-registrations indicate one of our largest attendance. Come early and bring a friend with you.

EASTER BREAKFAST 6:00 A.M.

The Christian Builders are sponsoring an Easter Morning Breakfast

Send reservations at once to the church office.

EARLY SERVICE 6:45 A.M.

An early service has been prepared by the Christian Builders' Class and will be given at 6:45 A.M.

COME TO CHURCH ON EASTER SUNDAY

THE MESSAGE OF EASTER

There were also many women there, looking on from afar, who had followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering to him; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee.

Now after the sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And behold, there was a great earthquake; for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven and rolled back the stone, and sat upon it. His appearance was like lightning and his raiment white as snow. And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. Lo, I have told you."

— MATTHEW 27:55, 56, 28:1-7*



In this year of fear and unrest, of great longings for peace, the minds of Christian people are groping and beset by many disturbing factors and problems of today. Yet around the world the story of Christ's resurrection is told in many tongues, in many lands. It is told in scripture and song in beautiful sanctuaries, in small town and rural churches, in mission stations, among Christians in war-torn lands, in bombed churches and places of worship.

The risen Christ brings hope and comfort to hearts torn by grief and sorrow, and to broken homes in devastated lands. What does Easter mean to you? Is it not a challenge? Faith in Jesus' words of comfort to his disciples should bring Easter very near to the hearts of Christians. "Lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age." [Matt. 28:19-20 Revised Standard Version]

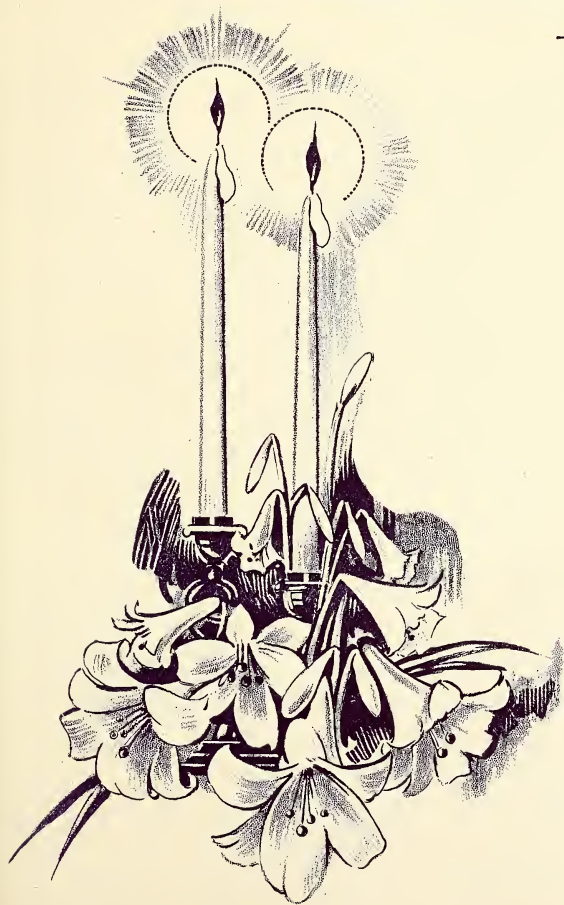
— Prepared by Mrs. C. T. Harness.

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Christ Is Risen!

*Arise, O soul, this Easter Day!
Forget the tomb of yesterday,
For thou from bondage art set free;
Thou sharest in His victory
And life eternal is for thee,
Because the Lord is risen.*

—Author Unknown.



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EASTER FLOWERS

Easter Lillies and flowers should be at the church Saturday morning. These may be given in memory of loved ones.

Loyal Reapers Class Party

The Loyal Reapers will entertain the Ladies Bible Class, The Friendly Class and the Men's Class, Friday evening, April 26th at 8 o'clock in the social room of the Church. The husbands are also invited.

Easter Sunrise Service

The Young people of the Church will sponsor an Easter Sunrise Service, with breakfast at 6:00 A.M. followed by the program at 6:45 A.M. Thomas Hirschy will give the opening prayer and read the Scripture lesson of the morning. Miss Doris Sweeney and Nelson Lucas will sing a duet. Mr. M. Cleo Halleck will speak in Memoriam, for the deceased, and a reading will be given by Miss Adoria Waters. All young people and their friends are cordially invited to be present at this beautiful service.

Ladies Bible Class

The Ladies Bible Class will meet at the home of Mrs. Owen Vaught, 4035 S. Fairfield, Tuesday afternoon, April 23rd, at 2:15. Mrs. Wm. Coblentz will be assistant hostess.

Men's Banquet Area Meeting

Many churches will be represented at Huntington. A great many are expected from our church. This banquet will be on Wednesday evening, April 24th at 6:30 P.M. in the Huntington Central Christian Church. The Rev. Mr. Richard E. Lentz, pastor of the Central Church in Anderson will be the speaker. The tickets are priced at \$1.00 and reservations must be in not later than Monday, April 22nd.

A merry heart doeth good like a medicine.

—Proverbs 17: 22.

Young People to Go to Marion Youth Conference

Young people who plan to go to this area conference should make their reservations Sunday. Those going are to take sandwiches. Registration is 3¢. Late registrations will be forty cents. The group from First Christian have a prominent part on the program. Mrs. Lynn Miller is a member of our state's Adult Advisory Committee.

Honor Roll

Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Beck, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Anders, Mrs. Ruth Anderson, Martha Jeannette Beck, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Baker, Mrs. George Barbier, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Barnett, Mrs. Mary Barnett, Mrs. Georgia Bauer, Miss Jean Baxter, Mrs. Joseph Baxter, Mr. and Mrs. J. Z. Berlein, Miss Mildred Bingham, Mrs. Estella Binkley, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Birkhold, Mrs. H. J. Bishop, Mrs. Mary Braden, Mrs. Clover Branstator, Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Brickley, Miss Alma Leona Brown, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Broxon, Jack Bruce Brickley, Mrs. E. E. Buchanan, Mrs. Stella Burkhalter, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Cahow, Mrs. Emma Carles, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Carlisle, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Carpenter, Miss Eunice Clark, Mrs. Clarence Clements, Mrs. Irene Cline, Mrs. Wm. Coblentz, Mr. and Mrs. Myron Cole, Miss Emma Crabill, Mr. and Mrs. Vinton Cramer, Mrs. C. E. Cremer, James Crouse, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Crouse, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Davis, Joyce Davis, Mrs. Rhoda Depoty, Mrs. Ella Diss, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Dilts, Miss Emma Dorris, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Drewett, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Durfee, Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Dullaghan. (To be continued.)

OFFERING IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

THE OFFERING IN SUNDAY SCHOOL THIS SUNDAY GOES FOR OUR UNITED WORLD WORK. GIVE LIBERALLY ON EASTER.

Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good. —Romans 12:9.



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MORNING WORSHIP 10:30 A.M.

Sermon: When You Face up to Religion. Preacher—Our Pastor, Robert T. Beck.

Great Anthem by our ChoirSpecial Offertory Solo

Beautiful Organ Prelude 10:25 A.M.

People were turned away on Easter. Our Church was filled to capacity—even the vestibules were crowded. But the remarkable thing was the reverence and worshipful attitude of our great congregation and the sincere way in which the people joined the choiring in singing praises to God.

We appreciate the way the people came early to church. Come early this Sunday and get a good seat.

New Members Continue to Come

We are rejoiced over the large number of new members that have come into the church. **More will be received this Sunday.** It is still opportune for you to speak to that friend of yours concerning the church.

THE NEXT ISSUE

The next issue of the First Christian Tidings will carry as a supplement the professional and membership directory of our church. Be sure to watch for this issue in the mail. This book will carry much interesting information. You will learn in what colony you live. You will learn of all the organizations through which our church functions; you will have a list of all our officers; you will find the names, addresses and telephone numbers of all of our membership.

There are bound to be some mistakes. There are always mistakes in a first issue. These will be corrected in the next issue if you will give such correction to the church office.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

The largest Sunday School attendance in many years greeted the officers and teachers last Sunday. It demonstrates that we can do that and much better if we try.

REMEMBER THE CHURCH SCHOOL THIS SUNDAY. Be present. Let the whole family come to the Church School.

Your Church Calls You to Worship Sunday

● CONCERNING STUDENTS

During this missionary year, John E. McCaw, national director of student work, has visited 25 college and university campuses, and has had conferences with representatives from 15 others. Emphasis is being given to the necessity of the church following its young people to college. One of the most crucial and perhaps the weakest points in the service of our church is in institutions of higher learning. At the same time, this is perhaps the greatest opportunity of the church to serve the young people who will, almost inevitably because of their college training, be leaders of the land.

Some of the problems faced are:

— Over 600,000 veterans of the armed forces have already applied for educational rights under the G.I. Bill. Predictions are that the number will reach 1,000,000 within two years; thousands from war plants now have money to go to school or to resume a war-interrupted education; an increasing percentage of high school graduates are going to college; foreign students are flocking to this country: the enrollment of students is increasing rapidly.

CHURCH OF CHRIST, ASUNCION, PARAGUAY



— The percentage of married students has greatly increased, due to the fact that from 25% to 65% of veterans are married.

— There is an increase in the use of quota systems applied to the enrollment of Jews, Negroes, and the "out of stater."

— There is a wide age spread between students, with competition appearing between students just out of high school and the older students, especially the veterans.



● SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Our Sunday School, during the last year, has grown greatly, not only in numbers and offerings but also in interest and usefulness. The year really began in March when we reorganized the school. Now we have three distinct departments, each with two teachers and two classes, and separate devotional periods. On our first Sunday under this plan our attendance was 45. Twice during the year following we have reached a maximum of 87. After the summer vacations (in January) we plan to have promotion day and we shall probably have to introduce an intermediate department then.

On the 23rd of December we closed our vacation Bible school. Here were gathered together 80 children and 10 teachers and leaders for two weeks of instruction, work and play—ending with our Christmas pageant.

— MRS. F. HUGHES,
Missionary.



Hymn for A Household

*Lord Christ, beneath thy starry dome,
We light this flickering lamp of home,
And where bewildering shadows throng
Uplift our prayer and evensong.*

*Dost thou, with heaven in thy ken
Seek still a dwelling place with men,
Wandering the world in ceaseless quest?
O Man of Nazareth, be our guest!*

— Daniel Henderson.



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The MARTHA Circle will meet with Mrs. Owen Vaught, 4035 S. Fairfield, Wednesday afternoon, May 1st, at 2:15. The Esther Circle will meet at the home of Mrs. Homer Broxon, 1607 Franklin. Mrs. Gerald Broxon will be assistant hostess.

17 TEEN AGERS

Will go to Marion, Sunday. **They will attend Church first.** Lunch is being arranged by Mrs. Charles Dilts for this lively, interesting group who will have a good share in AREA YOUTH CONFERENCE TO BE HELD AT MARION.

THE CHRISTIAN BUILDERS

Will present "The Bishop's Candlesticks" at this conference. Quite a group from this older organization of Young People will also attend.

15 MEN

Attended the Area Men's Meeting of the Christian churches at Huntington Christian Church on Wednesday evening.

CONGRATULATIONS

Best of good wishes and congratulations go to Mr. and Mrs. John C. Varner on the birth of their son, John Ray Varner on the 18th of April. Both mother and son are doing nicely.

SOFT BALL PLAYERS! PLEASE NOTE

Mr. Brickley has called a practice meeting for all interested in playing soft ball this summer and representing First Christian in the Church League. Mr. Brickley reports good prospects for a fine team.

OFFERING SUNDAY

The offerings received at our church on Easter total \$938.50. This is the largest Easter offering of which we have a record.

AMONG OUR SICK

Mrs. Stella Burkhalter has been confined to her home at 2018 Short Street due to rather severe bruises she received in a fall.

Mr. James Erwin has been quite sick at his home on 301 Third Street. He is much improved at this writing.

Mr. John Z. Berlien has been ill during the last weeks and has been unable to leave his home at 2918 Bowser Avenue.

SELFISH HABIT

The habit of being late indicates mental sloppiness. Also, it indicates selfishness and utter lack of consideration for others. It is of a piece with the behavior of the man who lounges in the middle of a doorway, or the woman who keeps a dozen people standing outside a crowded bus while she fishes for her nickel. Boiling in oil would be about right for either of them.

—Channing Pollock

BASIS OF NATIONAL GREATNESS

Many years ago, when David Lloyd George was in power, he met with Mr. De Valera to discuss with him the Irish question. In the course of the conversation, the English premier asked one of his secretaries to bring his Welsh Bible, a volume of Welsh poetry, a volume of Welsh sermons, and a volume of Welsh hymns. Turning to Mr. De Valera, as the books were laid upon the table, he said: "You see these books, sir; these are the things which are the foundation of a nation's true greatness."

FROM EASTER TO PENTECOST

Fifty days opportunity is given to the church for special effort in securing new members. In many places Christians are using this period to time if they have not already done so. **IF YOU ARE NOT TITHING, TRY THIS WAY FOR THIS PERIOD. MANY, WHO TITHE STARTED ON SUCH AN EXPERIMENT AND HAVE KEPT IT UP.**



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Great Anthem—Fine Old Hymns for the Congregation

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Our congregations are reverent, responsive, and worshipful. Do not miss this experience of worship and meditation in Christian Fellowship.

KEEP UP THE ATTENDANCE OF OUR CHURCH SCHOOL—9:30 A. M.

A Class for every age—A place for every Christian.

THE CHURCH IS CALLED TO REAL CONSECRATION FOR THIS PERIOD

A Large Number Have Registered for Attendance on Mother's Day, May 12th

Many are registering for attendance on every Sunday of this period.

EASTER — — TO — PENTECOST

WHAT CAN ONE DO?

You can go to church: Our earliest examples in Christianity are from church-going people. One says I can be just as good a Christian outside the Church. However, through history the great Christians have been in the church. You might be better than the worst member, but you can't be as good as the best church member outside the church.

You can Pray: Not only were the first disciples meeting together as a body of Christ's followers, before Pentecost, but they were praying. "More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of." They remained in prayer.

You can read the Bible: Try reading the Bible by reading a book at one sitting. Try to get what it is all about. Discover the great principles expressed. These early disciples studied the apostles' doctrine. They were concerned about the meaning of Christ's life for them.

You can enlist others: There is nothing more romantic than the way men have been won to Christ through the centuries. In this century it becomes our privilege and our responsibility to win others.

You can invest in the Cause: Money and Life. During this period, throughout our brotherhood, many are trying tithing. You can do this, too, during this period leading to Pentecost. Try tithing **your time** for the church. This would mean seventeen hours a week given to religious purposes. Some have found great joy in this.

SUPPLEMENT TO THE CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

With this issue History is being made for The First Christian Church. This is the first issue of a membership and professional directory for our church.

HOW IS THIS DIRECTORY TO BE USED?

This directory will be **valuable to every officer and leader** in the church, for here are the names and addresses of all our active members. You will check through the names as a leader, checking off the ones who are active in your work. Then you will work on a program of education in which information, concerning the part of the church to which you are responsible, will be made available to every member, the inactive should be reached.

This directory is **valuable to every member**. It is possible for your fellow member, in a church the size of First Christian, to live within a short distance of you and still you may not even be aware of the fact or even know him. Even the other day two members met who often did business together but never had asked each other their church affiliations and suddenly discovered they had been members of the same church for years.

This directory is valuable **when you are in need of services**. Here there has been a diligent effort to list all the businesses and professions in our church. If you are in need of anything, look in this directory and, if possible, give your business to a member of this church.

Some general suggestions of what you may find.

You will find how one becomes a member.

You will find our organizations listed, something of their purposes and the names of the officers.

You will find the schedule for meetings, etc.

You will find something of our achievements and our plans for the future.

You will find a greeting from our minister.

You will find the constitution of the Women's Council.

Note how the names are listed—

First you will find the colony number, the names, the address and the telephone numbers, and the mailing zone. The telephone numbers are repeated when any name appears as an officer.

WE EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION

We want to express our appreciation to our church secretary, Mrs. Owen Vaught, to Mrs. L. S. Sentment who worked upon this project. Also appreciation to the Permarr Printing Company and to A. O. Schell the owner and operator of this company. **WE EXPRESS FURTHER APPRECIATION TO THOSE IN THE PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY WHOSE NAMES APPEAR IN HEAVY TYPE.** Through their donations this book was made possible.

TO DECEMBER, 1945—IMPORTANT

The directory lists the names of members up to and including December, 1945. In this issue of the Tidings are additional names. These may be cut out and pasted into the back of your directory. They are in the same order as the directory. These names will be printed as new members are received. Keep your directory up to date.

THE COMPILING AND ORGANIZATION OF THIS DIRECTORY HAS BEEN A BIG JOB. IT WILL BE APPRECIATED BY OUR MEMBERSHIP. KEEP YOUR DIRECTORY AND KEEP IT UP TO DATE.

NAMES FOR DIRECTORY

April 25, 1946

Colony Name

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|--|---|
| 10 Mr. and Mrs. William H. Bader (Margaret), 130 W. Creighton Ave., 6. | 5 Sally Hirschy, 418 Mechanic St., Ph. E-2621, 7. |
| 14 Mr. and Mrs. Dale H. Bailey (Elizabeth), R. 6, Covington Rd., Ph. H-64196, 8. | 6 Mrs. Beverly Johnston, 414 W. Baker St., 2. |
| 14 George A. Bailey, R. R. 6, Covington Rd., Ph. H-64196, 8. | 14 Gail Parsons, R. R. 7, Maumee Rd., 8. |
| 3 Robert Barnett, 725 Wagner St., Ph. A-98232, 3. | 4 Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Rice, 1819 Kentucky (Mrs. Almeda), Ph. A-57822, 3. |
| 3 Ronald Barnett, 725 Wagner St., Ph. A-98232, 3. | 3 Hugh D. Rice, 2525 Westbrook Dr., Ph. A-65114, 3. |
| 9 Mr. and Mrs. Alva Chaney (Norma), 3707 South Wayne Ave., Ph. H-55591, 6. | 3 Mrs. Hugh D. Rice (Gwynth), 2525 Westbrook Dr., Ph. A-65114, 3. |
| 12 Mrs. Clyde Driver, 1013 McKee St., Ph. H-83451, 5. | 12 Mr. and Mrs. Richard Schrecongost (Cora), 2929 Lillie St., 5. |
| 7 Rex Finton, 1209 E. Wayne, Ph. A-60914, 4. | 12 Donna May Schrecongost, 2929 Lillie St., 5. |
| 6 Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Fuchshuber (Alyce), 508 Lavina St., Ph. A-55945, 2. | 8 Mrs. Charles Spradlin, 615 Walnut St., 6. |
| 6 Janice Fuchshuber, 508 Lavina St., Ph. A-55945, 2. | 7 Phyllis Swaim, 1628 Simons St., Ph. A-87751, 4. |
| 7 Bonnie Louise Fusselman, 1308 E. Wayne, Ph. A-56922, 4. | 2 Mrs. Louise Ternet, 209 W. Fourth St., Ph. A-88343, 7. |
| 9 Mrs. E. R. Harris, 718 Kinsmoor, Ph. H-69804, 6. | 7 Betty Treager, 3221 Harvester, 4. |
| | 2 Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Vaughn (Nellie), 615 Russell, Ph. A-96085, 7. |
| | 4 Miss Beverly Wells, 2310 LeRoy Drive, Ph. E-2562, 3. |
| | 6 Dr. and Mrs. G. A. Whelan (Sally) 612 W. Washington, Ph. A-1721, 2. |

Changed Values

"I find my experiences out there (in the Pacific) has changed my values as to the importance of my own life," said a returned veteran. Five years has seen millions of Americans through a devastating experience. Peter went through it. We catch glimpses of ourselves in those tragic hours. Like Peter we try Detours in our following of the Master.

But one hope remains to you. Listen to the exact words of the Master, "**You cannot follow Me Now!**" That means one day you can follow. When your values change to His values. When your incoherence has changed, when you have humbled yourself in obedience—when you have the spirit of Christ, **you shall follow afterward.**"

—Daniel Webster

THAT'S ANOTHER MATTER!

Too many of us are like the native who was asked, "If you had one hundred sheep would you give fifty of them for God's work?" "That I would," he replied, "I would be glad to give fifty." "If you had one hundred cows would you give fifty?" "Of course I would," he replied. "But you wouldn't give fifty out of one hundred horses if you had them." "Oh, yes, you would see that I would," insisted the native. "Well, if you had two pigs would you give one of them?" the man's countenance fell. "No. I wouldn't," he said. "You happen to know that I have two pigs and the question is not fair."—L. L. Dunnington, First Methodist Church, Iowa City, Ia.

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The Rachel Circle will meet at the Church, Tuesday afternoon, May 7th at 2:00. Mrs. Wm. H. Collier will give the devotions. Mrs. L. A. Warren will be the guest speaker.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dullaghan are the proud parents of fine son. Mother and babe are in St. Joseph's Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Young are the grandparents. The baby's name is Ronald James.

When Ill

Send information of any sickness to the Church Office. There is no other way for your church to learn of tse sick among the membership.

Honor Roll

Mrs. Henry Ehle, Mrs. Ida Mae England, Mr. and Mrs. James Erwin, Mr. and Mrs. Don Eyer, Miss Anita Fitch, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Fitch, The Fitch Brothers, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Flowers, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Follis, Miss Wanda Follis, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Frame, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Frame, Mr. and Mrs. E. Fusselman, Mrs. Lillian Gagnon, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Gaskill, Mrs. Edwin Geerken, Miss Flora Gilmore, Miss Phyllis Glass, Mr. and Mrs. N. Gorham, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Haddox, Miss Mildred Hartman, Miss Mabel Haynes, Mrs. Olga Heidecker, Miss Pearl Heidecker, Mr. and Mrs. M. Heller, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hilbish, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hiler, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hiler, Mrs. Anna Hirschy, Thomas Hirschy, Mrs. Florence Hobbs, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hopkins, Jr., Miss Mildred Hutchinson.

And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature and favor with God and man.

—Luke 2:52.

OUR MEMBERS LOVE THE CHURCH

We see this heading demonstrated some special way most every week.

Mrs. Gertrude Sutton, long a faithful member of this church, has presented to the church two beautiful walnut chairs. These are to be a part of the beautiful tea table which was a gift some years back. These beautiful chairs will meet a real need when our ladies pour tea at their social functions.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Orchard are among the newer and younger group of our members. They are giving the Children's House a beautiful and useful linoleum carpet for the Nursery. This will enable the floor to be kept perfectly sanitary and clean for our little children. Mrs. Orchard works in the Nursery and Mr. Orchard is a member of our board of deacons.

OUR CHURCH IS SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS OLD IN NOVEMBER

Mr. Henry M. Flowers, a deacon in our church and the church historian, has just completed a fine history of this congregation. This history will be made available to our congregation as a part of a book to be issued at the time of our celebration of our Seventy-Fifth Anniversary. Mr. Flowers is one of the editors of the News-Sentinel.

Mr. Robert E. Clipp, an elder in our church, is in charge of photography. Pictures will be taken of our Sunday School classes, choir, official board and other organizations. These will be placed in this Anniversary memorial book.

Over Two Hundred and Thirty Members

have been received into church since our minister became pastor of this church. This, IN TWO YEARS, puts our membership between eight and nine hundred. Everyone is anxious to see this membership greatly increased by our celebration in November. SEND IN NAMES OF PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS AT ONCE TO THE CHURCH OFFICE.



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WHAT CAN ONE DO?

You can go to church: Our earliest examples in Christianity are from church-going people. One says I can be just as good a Christian outside the Church. However, through history the great Christians have been in the church. You might be better than the worst member, but you can't be as good as the best church member outside the church.

You can Pray: Not only were the first disciples meeting together as a body of Christ's followers, before Pentecost, but they were praying. "More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of." They remained in prayer.

You can read the Bible: Try reading the Bible by reading a book at one sitting. Try to get what it is all about. Discover the great principles expressed. These early disciples studied the apostles' doctrine. They were concerned about the meaning of Christ's life for them.

You can enlist others: There is nothing more romantic than the way men have been won to Christ through the centuries. In this century it becomes our privilege and our responsibility to win others.

You can invest in the Cause: Money and Life. During this period, throughout our brotherhood, many are trying tithing. You can do this, too, during this period leading to Pentecost. Try tithing **your time** for the church. This would mean seventeen hours a week given to religious purposes. Some have found great joy in this.

SUPPLEMENT TO THE CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

With this issue History is being made for The First Christian Church. This is the first issue of a membership and professional directory for our church.

HOW IS THIS DIRECTORY TO BE USED?

This directory will be **valuable to every officer and leader** in the church, for here are the names and addresses of all our active members. You will check through the names as a leader, checking off the ones who are active in your work. Then you will work on a program of education in which information, concerning the part of the church to which you are responsible, will be made available to every member, the inactive should be reached.

This directory is **valuable to every member**. It is possible for your fellow member, in a church the size of First Christian, to live within a short distance of you and still you may not even be aware of the fact or even know him. Even the other day two members met who often did business together but never had asked each other their church affiliations and suddenly discovered they had been members of the same church for years.

This directory is valuable **when you are in need of services**. Here there has been a diligent effort to list all the businesses and professions in our church. If you are in need of anything, look in this directory and, if possible, give your business to a member of this church.

Some general suggestions of what you may find.

You will find how one becomes a member.

You will find our organizations listed, something of their purposes and the names of the officers.

You will find the schedule for meetings, etc.

You will find something of our achievements and our plans for the future.

You will find a greeting from our minister.

You will find the constitution of the Women's Council.

Note how the names are listed—

First you will find the colony number, the names, the address and the telephone numbers, and the mailing zone. The telephone numbers are repeated when any name appears as an officer.

WE EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION

We want to express our appreciation to our church secretary, Mrs. Owen Vaught, to Mrs. L. S. Sentment who worked upon this project. Also appreciation to the Permatt Printing Company and to A. O. Schell the owner and operator of this company. **WE EXPRESS FURTHER APPRECIATION TO THOSE IN THE PROFESSIONAL DIRECTORY WHOSE NAMES APPEAR IN HEAVY TYPE.** Through their donations this book was made possible.

TO DECEMBER, 1945—IMORTANT

The directory lists the names of members up to and including December, 1945. In this issue of the Tidings are additional names. These may be cut out and pasted into the back of your directory. They are in the same order as the directory. These names will be printed as new members are received. Keep your directory up to date.

THE COMPILING AND ORGANIZATION OF THIS DIRECTORY HAS BEEN A BIG JOB. IT WILL BE APPRECIATED BY OUR MEMBERSHIP. KEEP YOUR DIRECTORY AND KEEP IT UP TO DATE.

BUSINESS, PROFESSIONAL AND MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

**SUPPLEMENT TO
FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS**



**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
FORT WAYNE, INDIANA**

PURPOSE OF THIS BOOK

In this book we make available to our membership the businesses and professions represented in our congregation, together with the listing of our entire membership. The advertisements in this book are restricted to those who are members of this church, to those in whose employ are members of this church, or to those whose families are represented in this church.

In compiling this book the First Christian Tidings calls to the attention of the membership that Apostolic injunction, "As we therefore have opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith."—Galatians 6:10.

MINISTER'S GREETING



REV. ROBERT T. BECK

We look back over the past year and find much to warrant an optimistic outlook for the days ahead. More adequate and attractive quarters have been secured for our children in the Children's House. A modern office for the church and a consultation room for the minister, a committee room and a beautiful Victory chapel have added much to the functional equipment of our church.

This past year our church has been freed from all indebtedness. With the lifting of this debt, the improvement to our equipment, the support of our brotherhood cause, the income from the Church School and the Woman's Council, around \$26,000, are represented in this year income and expenditures. And now, for expansion purposes, we have purchased 3 properties adjoining the church.

The feeling of unity is seen in the fine co-operation we have in all our de-

partments in the church. The Official Board meets as departments and committees each month in addition to the regular monthly business meeting. Our Church School has planned conferences has sponsored and conducted a class for board members, sponsored and carried through successful Vacation Church Schools. A high standard is adhered to in this part of our church life. A most pleasant and successful part of our church fellowship has been the monthly family night suppers.

These days of reconversion and of victory demand an ever enlarging program. There are sure to be increasing costs. These may be met in two ways: (1) by securing more and more pledged incomes; (2) by the easy way of reducing expenses by reduction of our program. Strongly I favor the former, and urge parish-wide co-operation to that end.

Our church is a fellowship of like minded people for mutual helpfulness—but the church is more than an organization for mutual helpfulness. Jesus said, "Go ye therefore and make disciples of all nations." The church is organized to make Jesus and His way known to all men and to bring them under the sway of his love.

In the past months we have received over 200 persons into our church. Our membership is scattered all over the City of Fort Wayne. We are no neighborhood church but urban in the real sense. Seventy-five years of service in this community give a rich background to our people. We must have an ever increasing membership. We must exercise leadership for our people.

Many expressions of friendship and appreciation have come to us, and the confidence which hundreds of the members of this church have personally expressed to me give us great hope for the future. The calls we have received outside the church make us feel a definite part of the community. Mrs. Beck and I appreciate your unfeigned expressions of kindness and friendship. Martha Jeannette joins her parents in sending to each of you greetings and good wishes.

ROBERT TALMAGE BECK.

OUR CHURCH

This growing congregation of more than 800 resident members now looks to the future. It practices an open-fellowship to all as witnessed in the open invitation each Sunday concluding the morning worship. All who desire to follow Christ and to share in the church membership are welcomed into full fellowship. This church is free from outside controls. Its decisions are determined by its members and their leaders who seek to provide a vital opportunity for all free men and women who wish to serve their Lord and Master in building the Kingdom of God.

This church is identified with the Disciples of Christ fellowship, which ranks fifth among the denominations of America, with its almost two million members, it is scarcely more than a century and a quarter old. "This most typically American Christian communion emerged from the early nineteenth century atmosphere of common sense and democracy. Its religious thought and practice have been based upon the reasonableness and simplicity of the teachings of Jesus." Alexander Campbell, whose thought influenced by the liberal spirit of John Locke and the inductive process of Francis Bacon and whose ministry launched a revolt against traditional ecclesiastical dogmas and practices, was responsible for many of the undenominational religious views which have distinguished the Disciples of Christ through the years as a free and creative religious movement.

HOW ONE BECOMES A MEMBER

There are two ways of becoming a member of this church. One is by confession of Faith. The other is by transfer of membership. A conference with the minister usually precedes the act of uniting with the church.

Those coming by confession are asked: "Do you believe with all your heart that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God, and do you take Him for your Saviour to walk his way of life?" The reply is: "I do." As the candidate prefers, a public or private baptismal service is arranged. In transfer of membership the right hand of Christian Fellowship is given, and the office, if desired, sends proper notification to the former congregation. Invitation to membership is extended each Sunday at the worship service.

There is no attempt to dictate Biblical interpretation in theological or religious belief. Our cherished belief is "in essential, unity; in non-essentials, liberty, and in all things, charity." To each member is given the right to follow the dictates of a Christian conscience, with this injunction "that if we have not the Spirit of Christ, we are none of His."



WE LOOK TO THE FUTURE

An excellent introduction to this church may be gained by an understanding of the architectural plan and rich symbolism of the proposed new structure.

The building consists of three units, reminding one of the trinity of the Disciples of Christ, religious liberty, religious equality, and religious fraternity.

One of these units will be designated as the Social unit. Here will be housed the Victory Chapel, which will be open every day for meditation, worship. This will also be available for small weddings. In this unit will also be located the church office. In this building will be a beautiful lounge connecting this will be a modern dining room. From a modern kitchen with improved automatic equipment, it will be possible to have dinners on quick notice. Easily it can be arranged for Sunday meals to follow the worship service each Sunday.

On the second floor will be found an assembly hall with a stage at one end for religious drama. On the third floor will be found a sound-proof room or hall which may be used for roller skating, volley ball or other recreational activities. In the basement will be found sound-proofed arrangement for bowling alleys and small rooms which may be used for art and handcraft. These floors can be reached by a large automatic elevator as well as by a stairway.

The third unit will house our educational plant. Here will be found the library and reading room, a work or

sewing room, adult class rooms and church club rooms, social and meeting rooms, class rooms, nursery, kindergarten room, small chapels in connection with the Junior, Intermediate departments, high school and senior departments. Sound proofing will be used throughout so each department will feel a unit in itself.

The outside of the buildings is very striking. It is of early colonial design of the period of the late 18th and early 19th century which marked the period of the beginning of our communion. The simplicity of the architecture marks the reasonableness, the plain beauty, and the practicality and unostentatious living of the way of Jesus. Simple cloisters join the buildings together. Back of the cloisters in one of the gardens will be found an out-door pulpit, which is arranged so afternoon or evening meetings may be held out of doors.

As one enters the center building, or the unit of public worship, he will be pleased to note there are no flights of steps leading up to the entrance. There is an incline, which makes it easy for older people to enter into the house of God. He will further note that there are four beautiful Indiana limestone pillars. The spirit of iconography or symbolism should be interpreted to those interested in the beauty of architecture. These four pillars represent the four gospels which relate the story of the life of Christ. The shelter of the portico indicates that one must enter into the spirit of these revelations of Christ before he can enter into full fellowship with Him.

There is one large beautiful door that gives entrance to this beautiful structure, symbolizing that there is but one door, one way, and that He is the way and the truth.

Another striking symbolism of this center structure is the tower. This consists of twelve pillars, suggestive of the first 12 disciples, surmounted by eight smaller pillars reminding us of the eight beatitudes. This wondrous spire will be snow white, white as the holiness of Christ. Glistening against the sky, "sculptured and pure as an angel's dream." The spire will be domed by a golden sphere, "bright as the hopes of youth; an emblem of a gleaming world to be redeemed." Above the dome will be an iron pentecost cross, symbolic of the beginning of the Church. This cross is ringed, symbol of eternity, from the center go the lambent flames of pentecost, which are to light the distant corners of a darkened earth. This cross and tower is representative of our communion and a sign of our victorious faith and life's deep law.

As we enter the church building we come first into the Narthex. Here assemble the people before they enter the sanctuary. It is separate; a place of greeting and a place of pause before we enter the sanctuary. Quiet beauty, fellowship and peace are gathered together in the simple architecture and arrangement, suggestive of the colonial spirit of the interior. A worshipful atmosphere is the chief objective. This church has no altar or no crucifix. Its worship is interpreted in the idea of fellowship with the Unseen and with one another. The chancel takes the place of the old pulpit platform. The whole has been carefully planned and designed so as to focus all eyes upon the Communion table and the symbolic drape in the center of the chancel held in a beautiful colonial design surmounted by a large communion Cup, above which is a beautiful colored window in the form of a circle with a smaller circle in the center. This rose window has ten surrounding sections suggesting the ten commandments, with the love of God through Christ symbolized in the center circle.

As we pass down the center aisle to the chancel we feel that we are truly in the house of God. Here is the embodiment of our faith. The Lord's table in

the center suggests the eternal fellowship with God rather than the pulpit suggesting the intellectual side of religion with its everchanging theology. On either side and to the front of the chancel are the lectern for the open Bible and the Pulpit for the prophetic in religion.

Back of the communion table and falling from a great height is a velour drape of rich red symbolizing the life beyond and the immortality of the soul. The drape when parted will reveal a beautiful baptistry. At the back and center is a narrow shaft of light, formed by scientific arrangement of blue lights behind crackle glass. This is to suggest the light eternal from heaven that shines into the life of an obedient believer. According to an ancient symbolism of the early church wherein the candidate entered the water from one side and left by another to typify the renunciation of the world of sin and the entrance into the Christian life. The choir will be split, the console of the organ properly out of view, and organ grills will take the place of ornate organ pipes, suggesting that music be offered to God rather than the choir offering their selections to the congregation. The five steps that lead to the Communion Table represent the five steps of Christian living and the five steps in obedience: Faith, Repentance, Confession, Obedience (in baptism) or consecration, and Fellowship.

Here from the very heart of this beautiful sanctuary may be found a fitting place from which the word of God may be preached, anthems of praise lifted to the gates of heaven, where souls may be buried in Christian baptism and where the family of the Lord may be gathered about His table to covenant with him each Lord's Day.

So many advances have been made in engineering and mechanical appliances, that all of these structures may be insulated, sound proofed, with a system for amplifying the voice of speakers, air-conditioning and beautiful lighting effects, so that all the modern inventions applicable may be used to make our church experience deep and lasting. New and improved tower chimes makes it possible for the gospel to go in music from the tower at the very moment (and in harmony) with the organ in the sanctuary.

As in the early first century the church has many rivals. They are stealing our Lord's Day from the day of rest and meditation. The next fifty years the church must justify itself, it must fight for its life. It must functionally justify itself to survive, then it can enter its real land of promise instead of being rejected.

Can you see this coronet of beauty in the heart of Fort Wayne? A Shrine of the hearts devotion; a veritable impassioned prayer. See it at night with column lighted, its wondrous spire glistening white in the flood lights.

Or look at it in the daylight. Each brick, clean cut, well laid, like the teaching of our Lord, sound and firm. In adapted words of another:

"O beauteous vision! O royal diadem,
Dropped from the hand of God to crown
this noble town,
Lifted high, apart from the city's clamorous strife,
The wonder of the anchor cross against
the blue,
The ring, the flame, the pledge of
everlasting peace."

The Expansion Program

The above design presented by the Expansion Committee and endorsed for promotion purposes by the Official Board.

The expansion committee consists of Walter Birkhold, chairman; Alexander M. Campbell, secretary; C. F. Durfee, Grant T. Munson, A. O. Schell, Ray Barnett, Robert T. Beck.

MEN'S FORUM

One of the newest organizations of the church has been called the Men's Forum. Its membership is composed of men who are members or friends of the First Christian Church. This organization meets on the first Sunday evening of each month, at a dinner for fellowship and for Christian thinking and planning. Its purpose is to take an unapologetic stand for the Christian religion and for the church of Jesus Christ, and with the minister to seek to make the church an active force in the life of the community. To this extent this organization will stimulate and direct various types of social and religious discussions, sponsor special services and activities that look toward the moral and religious betterment of the community. They will further seek to promote a growing Christian fellowship among men who are friends of First Christian Church.

The officers are Alexander M. Campbell, president; Clay Orchard, vice-president; Kenneth V. Lytle, secretary and John F. Davis, Treasurer.

THE COLONY PROGRAM

This is a geographical plan. Fourteen neighborhoods are organized in behalf of the church. The officers seek to organize their neighborhoods in friendly groups for the practical purpose of meeting needs of individual members, opening the ways for others to find a church home, to make the pastoral work of the church effective. During the year various methods will be used to get our membership acquainted. Among others will be the encouragement of friendliness by having "Half and Half Call" in which half of the parish stays at home one Sunday to receive the calls of the other half, carefully arranged, and two weeks later the process is reversed. We need an active church, and right now there are around two hundred persons in definite positions of responsibility. Through the discovery and development of talent, we hope in the near future it may be the rule that no person hold more than one office concurrently. This is the way of growth.

As a people we have a real place in the life of this community. We shall grow in proportion as each one works at the task to which he consecrated himself when he confessed Christ and obeyed Him in Baptism. Co-operation is the test of any organization and more especially a Christian Church. **"If we have not the Spirit of Christ we are none of His."**

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THE WOMEN'S COUNCIL

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Article I—Name

This organization shall be known as the Woman's Council of the First Christian Church.

Article II—Purpose

The purpose of this Council shall be to develop the womanhood of the Church in a united program of worship, missions, education, fellowship and service to the end that Christ may be exalted in the home, the church, the community, the nation and the World.

Article III—Membership

Section 1. The membership shall be composed of all the women who are members of the First Christian Church and any others wishing to enroll, who will further the purpose of the Council.

Sec. 2. The membership shall be divided into an approved number of Circles, each of which shall undertake to further the interests of the Council among its members.

Sec. 3. Each Circle shall organize and plan its own meetings and work, after the General Council's program has been adopted. Each Circle shall consider itself a part of the General Council and work harmoniously with the officers and other Circles of the Council.

Article IV—Officers And Elections

Section 1. The Officers of this Council shall be: President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer. Their election shall take place annually at the regular meeting in October, and their term of office shall begin in January. The maximum term of office shall be two years.

Sec. 2. The officers of the Circles shall be: Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary-Treasurer or Secretary and Treasurer. Their election shall take

place at the November meeting of the respective Circles.

Sec. 3. The Nominating Committee shall consist of six members, to be elected by the General Council at the time of the annual election of officers. The Nominating Committee shall have the power to fill all vacancies in the executive committee of the Council.

Sec. 4. The Executive Committee shall consist of the Officers of the Council, Chairmen of Standing Committees, Chairmen of the Circles or their alternates, and the Treasurers and Secretaries or Secretary-Treasurers of the Circles. The Pastor shall be regarded as an ex-officio member of the group.

Sec. 5. The Executive Committee shall have charge of the business and matters of procedure, budget and policy, in an advisory capacity. The Executive Committee shall have the power to fill all vacancies occurring in the Nominating Committee and to act in all matters arising between meetings of the Council.

Sec. 6. To provide avenues of service for the attainment of the purposes of the Council, its activities shall be carried on through the following committees: Program, Missionary, Project, World Call, Literature, Social, Flower and Membership and such other committees as may be necessary.

Article V—Meetings

Section 1. A general Council meeting shall be held once a month. Executive meetings shall be held by the Council at least once a month. A majority shall constitute a quorum.

Sec. 2. Circle meetings shall be held in their respective districts at least once a month prior to the General Council meetings.

Article VI—Finances

Section 1. The finances of the society shall come from any monthly contributions which may be received and from projects of the Circles and general Council.

Sec. 2. A budget for the fiscal year shall be prepared by the Executive Committee. This budget shall be read at the regular business meeting one month prior to its adoption. The budget of the Council shall include: (a) 50% of all receipts shall be used in local church work; (b) 40% of all receipts shall be contributed to the United Christian Missionary Society and (c) 10% of all receipts shall be used for Benevolences.

Article VII—Amendments

Amendments to this constitution may be presented in writing at any regular meeting of the Council. Adoption shall require a two-thirds vote of those present at the following regular meeting.

BY-LAWS

I—Fiscal Year

The Fiscal year of the Council shall correspond to the church year.

II—Meetings

The Circle meetings shall be held monthly preceding the general council meeting.

Th General Council meetings shall be held monthly on the third Tuesday of the month.

III—Duties Of Officers

The President shall preside over all the meetings and call special meetings as needed.

The First Vice President shall assist the President in all her duties and shall act in the absence of the President.

The Second Vice President shall act in the absence of both President and First Vice President, and shall assume such other duties as may be assigned to her by the President.

The Recording Secretary shall keep a roll of members of the Council, shall record the proceedings of the regular

and executive meetings of the Council and shall deliver to her successor such records and documents as have been acquired during her term of office.

The Corresponding Secretary shall notify the members of the Executive Committee of meetings and shall conduct all correspondence.

The Treasurer shall care for all monies put in her charge, disbursing same on orders of the President, signed by the Recording Secretary; shall sign receipts and shall render a monthly report. She shall make quarterly remittance of funds to the Treasurer of the United Christsian Missionary Society. The remittances shall be made by the 20th day of March, June, September and December. Benevolence offerings shall be sent by the Treasurer on or before October 1 of each year.

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer of each Circle to pay to the Council Treasurer its funds each month.

IV—Committees

Each committee shall be composed of a chairman and a representative from each Circle, to be appointed by the Executive Committee. The chairman of each committee shall be a member of the Executive Committee.

The Missionary Chairman shall be a member of the Program committee.

V—Budget

The budget of the Woman's Council shall include the United Christian Missionary Society and any other work carried on by the local church, such as flowers, Social Welfare, Equipment and Repairs, etc.

VI—Amendments

These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any General Council meeting, previous notice having been given at a regular meeting of the Council.

Amendment I (January 21, 1941)

To By-Law II—Meetings

The Circle meetings shall be held monthly during the first week of the month, each Circle being permitted to choose the day most convenient.

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- 7 Bennett, Rachel B. (Mrs. Doyle W.), 1515 E. Wayne, 4, Ph. A-87851.
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- 9 Bingham, Miss Mildred Jean, 1010 Dayton Ave., 6, Ph. H-50481.
- 8 Binkley, Estella M., Guy C., 1006 Taylor St., 6, Ph. A-88643.
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- 9 Cole, Romane H., Mrs. Henriette A., 450 Clermont, 6.
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- 3 Korn, Nora M. (Mrs. H. A.), Richard (USA), 3207 Eastbrook, 3, Ph. A-77133.
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- 4 Krall, George J., Mrs. Norma C., 1815 Pemberton, 3, Ph. A-99761.
- 4 Krick, Charles H., 1116 Loree, 3, Ph. A-97623.
- 5 Krott, Miss V. Irene, 1411 Stophlet, 6.
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- 3 Lahmeyer, Josephne N. (Mrs. J. F.), 1931 Kenwood, 3, Ph. E-1170.
- 3 Leggett, Elsie M. (Mrs. J. Howard), 474 Stadium Dr., 3, Ph. A-58225.
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Indiana Service Corp., 122 E. Wayne, phone A-1331—C. D. Palmer, H. D. Shively.

ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT—JOBBERs

***Protective Electrical Supply Co.**, 130 W. Columbia, phone A-9331—J. M. Fitch.

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Ft. Wayne Engineering & Mfg. Co., 1700 North Harrison, phone A-8142—Paul A. Nomina.
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Bursley & Co., Inc., 501 S. Clinton, phone A-2264—Vaughn Brickley, Marion Favory.
Dilgard Distributing Co., 2109 S. Calhoun, phone H-3304—Carl Wright.
Kroger Grocery & Baking Co., 802 Glasgow, phone A-8261—Elmore Schlatter.

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*Joe W. Clark, 4423 Gaywood Drive. Telephone A-0257, bus., H-88151, res.
Lincoln National Life Insurance Co., 1301 S. Harrison, phone A-5401—Donald L. Crouse, Miss Bertha Imbody, Miss Leah Miller, Mrs. Eva Mosier, Miss Dorothy I. Murphy.
Mutual Benefit As'n., J. G. Roper, 3134 Broadway, phone H-60855.

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Ft. Wayne News-Sentinel, 227 E. Washington, phone A-0111—H. M. Flowers.
Journal-Gazette, 701 S. Clinton, phone A-5111—Miss Helen McLennan.
The Protestant Voice, 634 W. Wayne, phone E-2018—David Hogg.

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***Alfred O. Schell**, 225 Esmond St., phone H-2773.

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Mrs. Floyd Morrical, 2926 Pittsburgh, phone A-59631.

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Shell Oil Co., 2223 Taylor, phone A-6368—Albert Monk.

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Dr. I. W. Ditton, ofc. 1214 E. Wayne, phone A-9492; or r. 911 E. Wayne, phone A-1024.

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***Walter Birkhold**, 4017 Fairfield, phone H-8830.

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Raymond B. Martin, R. R. No. 3, Martin Refrigeration Service. Telephone E-36701.

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Oak Lunch, 127 E. Main, phone A-0656—Joseph E. Miller.
Riegel's Inc., Lunch Counter, 631 S. Calhoun, phone A-1429—Ruth Bell.

ROOFING MATERIAL—WHOLESALE

Schaab Roofing & Supply Co., 1216 N. Harrison, phone A-0382—Ralph V. Helms.

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Morning worship at 10:30 in the sanctuary of the church. At this period the Lord's Supper is celebrated and the minister's sermon presented.

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STATED MEETINGS

The Woman's Council meets the third Tuesday of each month at 2:30 P.M. at the church.

The Woman's Council executive body meets the third Tuesday of each month at 1:30 P.M. at the church.

The Ruth Circle (Central Section) of the Woman's Council meets the first Tuesday of each month at 2:30 in the homes.

The Esther Circle (Northwest Section) of the Woman's Council meets the first Wednesday of each month at 2:30 in the homes.

The Naomi Circle (Northeast Section) of the Woman's Council meets the first Wednesday of each month at 2:30 in the homes.

The Rachel Circle (Southeast Section) of the Woman's Council meets the first Tuesday of each month at 2:30 in the homes.

The Martha Circle (Southwest Section) of the Woman's Council meets the first Wednesday of each month at 2:30 in the homes.

The Dorcas Circle (young married woman) of the Woman's Council meets the first Thursday of each month at 2:15 in the homes.

The Business Women's and Young Matron's Guild meets the first Monday of each month at 8:00 P. M. in the homes.

Choir rehearsal Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock except during August.

Family night is the last Sunday night of each month.

Men's Forum meets on the first Sunday of each month (except July and August) at 6 P.M. for a dinner meeting.

NAMES FOR DIRECTORY

April 25, 1946

Colony Name

- 10 Mr. and Mrs. William H. Bader (Margaret), 130 W. Creighton Ave., 6.
- 14 Mr. and Mrs. Dale H. Bailey (Elizabeth), R. 6, Covington Rd., Ph. H-64196, 8.
- 14 George A. Bailey, R. R. 6, Covington Rd., Ph. H-64196, 8.
- 3 Robert Barnett, 725 Wagner St., Ph. A-98232, 3.
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- 7 Betty Treager, 3221 Harvester, 4.
- 2 Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Vaughn (Nellie), 615 Russell, Ph. A-96085, 7.
- 4 Miss Beverly Wells, 2310 LeRoy Drive, Ph. E-2562, 3.
- 6 Dr. and Mrs. G. A. Whelan (Sally), 612 W. Washington, Ph. A-1721, 2.

Changed Values

"I find my experiences out there (in the Pacific) has changed my values as to the importance of my own life," said a returned veteran. Five years has seen millions of Americans through a devastating experience. Peter went through it. We catch glimpses of ourselves in those tragic hours. Like Peter we try Detours in our following of the Master.

But one hope remains to you. Listen to the exact words of the Master, "**You cannot follow Me Now!**" That means one day you can follow. When your values change to His values. When your incoherence has changed, when you have humbled yourself in obedience—when you have the spirit of Christ, **you shall follow afterward.**"

—Daniel Webster

THAT'S ANOTHER MATTER!

Too many of us are like the native who was asked, "If you had one hundred sheep would you give fifty of them for God's work?" "That I would," he replied, "I would be glad to give fifty." "If you had one hundred cows would you give fifty?" "Of course I would," he replied. "But you wouldn't give fifty out of one hundred horses if you had them." "Oh, yes, you would see that I would," insisted the native. "Well, if you had two pigs would you give one of them?" the man's countenance fell. "No. I wouldn't," he said. "You happen to know that I have two pigs and the question is not fair."—L. L. Dunnington, First Methodist Church, Iowa City, Ia.

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WOMAN'S COUNCIL

The Ruth Circle will meet with Mrs. Henry Ehle, 911 Park View, Tuesday afternoon, May 7th at 2:15.

The Rachel Circle will meet at the Church, Tuesday afternoon, May 7th at 2:00. Mrs. Wm. H. Collier will give the devotions. Mrs. L. A. Warren will be the guest speaker.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dullaghan are the proud parents of fine son. Mother and babe are in St. Joseph's Hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Young are the grandparents. The baby's name is Ronald James.

When Ill

Send information of any sickness to the Church Office. There is no other way for your church to learn of tse sick among the membership.

Honor Roll

Mrs. Henry Ehle, Mrs. Ida Mae England, Mr. and Mrs. James Erwin, Mr. and Mrs. Don Eyer, Miss Anita Fitch, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Fitch, The Fitch Brothers, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Flowers, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Follis, Miss Wanda Follis, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Frame, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Frame, Mr. and Mrs. E. Fusselman, Mrs. Lillian Gagnon, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Gaskill, Mrs. Edwin Geerken, Miss Flora Gilmore, Miss Phyllis Glass, Mr. and Mrs. N. Gorham, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Haddox, Miss Mildred Hartman, Miss Mabel Haynes, Mrs. Olga Heidecker, Miss Pearl Heidecker, Mr. and Mrs. M. Heller, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hilbish, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hiler, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Hiler, Mrs. Anna Hirschy, Thomas Hirschy, Mrs. Florence Hobbs, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hopkins, Jr., Miss Mildred Hutchinson.

And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature and favor with God and man.

—Luke 2:52.

OUR MEMBERS LOVE THE CHURCH

We see this heading demonstrated some special way most every week.

Mrs. Gertrude Sutton, long a faithful member of this church, has presented to the church two beautiful walnut chairs. These are to be a part of the beautiful tea table which was a gift some years back. These beautiful chairs will meet a real need when our ladies pour tea at their social functions.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay Orchard are among the newer and younger group of our members. They are giving the Children's House a beautiful and useful linoleum carpet for the Nursery. This will enable the floor to be kept perfectly sanitary and clean for our little children. Mrs. Orchard works in the Nursery and Mr. Orchard is a member of our board of deacons.

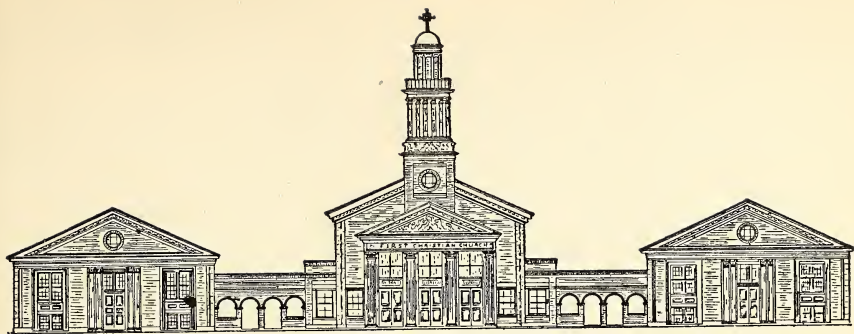
OUR CHURCH IS SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS OLD IN NOVEMBER

Mr. Henry M. Flowers, a deacon in our church and the church historian, has just completed a fine history of this congregation. This history will be made available to our congregation as a part of a book to be issued at the time of our celebration of our Seventy-Fifth Anniversary. Mr. Flowers is one of the editors of the News-Sentinel.

Mr. Robert E. Clipp, an elder in our church, is in charge of photography. Pictures will be taken of our Sunday School classes, choir, official board and other organizations. These will be placed in this Anniversary memorial book.

Over Two Hundred and Thirty Members

have been received into church since our minister became pastor of this church. This, IN TWO YEARS, puts our membership between eight and nine hundred. Everyone is anxious to see this membership greatly increased by our celebration in November. SEND IN NAMES OF PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS AT ONCE TO THE CHURCH OFFICE.



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SUNDAY — MOTHER'S DAY

Worship — 10:30 A. M.

Sermon — Their Name is Mother — Preacher — Our Pastor

ORGAN PRELUDE — 10:25 A. M.

Great Congregation Last Sunday. THIS SUNDAY at the completion of the observance of family week we shall HONOR OUR MOTHERS. Previous registrations indicate a very large congregation for this Sunday. **We appreciate the fact that so many of our congregation come early.** This is due we believe to the fine music, the reverent atmosphere that greets our people each Sunday.

We are by tradition and spirit a friendly people. As our crowds increase, we must not let this stifle our spirit of friendliness. This Sunday, greet those around you, not only those you know, but make yourself acquainted with the guest in our midst. No one resents this, many are eager for a friendly word.

HOME

"Home" — how that word starts our minds. The faith of our fathers is in that word. The Devotions of our mothers are in that word. The instincts and the aspiration that made them the men and women they were — come to life again in us their children when we face the making of a home. The lessons learned in our childhood are here revived and confirmed which childhood could not then understand. What religious significance is in that word. Through that experience how many lost souls have been taught to come again home. When desperation overcomes us, we cry, "How many hired servants of my father's house have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger." Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness and turn again home, for they shall be filled. Home and Heaven—two great words. And when our home IS CHRISTIAN it is very much akin to heaven.

COME, AS A FAMILY, TO CHURCH THIS SUNDAY — MAKE THIS SUNDAY A REAL MEMORY!

CHURCH SCHOOL — 9:30 A.M.

For Mother's Day the Sunday School will have a special program. The Classes are expecting record attendance. Make this possible.

● DO YOU KNOW?

The program of missions in the United States and Canada of Disciples of Christ includes the following significant services:

— Assistance to 48 pastors and evangelists, white and Negro, in areas unable to support their own work fully. Last year these reported 607 added to the church, and a total church membership of 3,540, while 2,494 are enrolled in their church school programs.

— Mission churches in 11 communities for foreign-speaking and underprivileged groups. Their membership totals 1,687, with 739 enrolled in church school, and 102 were added last year.

— Social service centers in three areas: San Antonio, for the Mexican population; Los Angeles, for peoples of all races; and White Swan, Washington, for Indians. Individuals served during last year were 1,746, with 971 of these being hospital and clinic cases.

— Four schools, of college and high school rating, in communities where public schools are not available. Students enrolled last year were 933, of which 183 united with the church, to make a total church membership of 691.

The establishment of new churches in areas of need, assistance to minority groups and to congregations struggling to maintain a worthy program of Christian service—these were the first missionary ventures of our brotherhood, and they continue to be of vital importance in the building of the Kingdom.



● MEDICAL MISSIONS ADVANCE

Miss Ruth Mitchell, missionary nurse of our Jackman Memorial Hospital at Bilaspur, India, is spending four months at Vellore to aid in establishing at the University of Madras a collegiate nursing school, the first for India.

Miss Mitchell writes of this venture: "It is a challenge to the medical missionaries who have been asked to set the standards. I am not going to Vellore to

gain a crown for myself but maybe in some small way I may help to gain honor for nurses, and especially Christian nurses, of this country."

Shortly before she left Bilaspur there was completed their first post graduate nursing course, and a Mid-India Christian Nurses Conference with 73 Hindi-speaking delegates attending. This first course was four months only, but the students have asked that it be extended to six months and be given again in Bilaspur this year. Miss Mitchell will have the responsibility of revising the course to cover six months, along with other duties to be continued. This work is all in Hindi.



Evangelize!

*Give us a watchword for the hour,
A thrilling word, a word of power;
A battle cry, a flaming breath
That calls to conquest or to death;
A word to rouse the church from rest,
To heed her Master's high behest.
The call is given: Ye hosts arise,
Our watchword is Evangelize!
The glad evangel now proclaim
Through all the earth in Jesus' name.
This word is ringing through the skies,
Evangelize! Evangelize!
To dying men, a fallen race,
Make known the gift of gospel grace;
The world that now in darkness lies,
Evangelize! Evangelize!*

—Henry Crocker.



● CHRISTIAN UNITY

"We have precious little right to preach unity to the statesmen of the world when we have been so remiss in practicing it ourselves.

"Christian people must lead the world to an international policy that is based upon the realization that a community of nations provides the only solution to the danger of our world making one more mistake with a world-wide war that will be fatal to civilization."

—DR. HAROLD A. BOSLEY,
Baltimore, Maryland.

A Call to the Nation

“Rise up, O men of God!

Have done with lesser things;

Give heart and soul and mind and strength

To serve the King of Kings.”



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NOTICE

All in the congregation who have had choral experience are urged to introduce themselves to the choir director, Loren Yaggy.

DEACONS FOR MAY

Merland Heller, Captain; F. Wayne Rousseau, William Crouse, William E. Tracey, Ralph J. Richard, William Mofitt, Dale Hiler and Don Eyer.

ELDERs FOR MAY

May 5—A. O. Schell - W. C. Birkhold.
May 12—B. W. Leversee - J. Fred Rieth-
miller
May 19—P. H. Somers - Dale Parkerson
May 26—Ray Barnett - Myron Cole

PROGRESSIVE CLASS PARTY

The Progressive class will have a pot luck at the Church Friday, May 10th, at 6:30 o'clock. Bring two dishes, and sandwiches, if you want them. Also, bring your own table service. Coffee will be furnished. We will show moving pictures and comics for the children.

EVENING GUILD

The Evening Guild will meet with Miss Harriet Treace, 1024 Eckart St., Monday evening, May 13th, at 8:00 P.M. Miss Pearl Heidecker will be the assistant hostess. Miss Fay Woodhull and Mrs. Mary Braden will discuss the book, "They Went to Africa."

HONOR ROLL

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Dalton, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Imbody, Miss Elsie Keith, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Kimble, Mrs. Ella King, Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Kirby, Mrs. Vera Kiser, Mrs. J. C. Koegel, V. C. Knight, Mrs. Frances Knoft, Mrs. Louise Lacy, Mrs. Josephine Lahmeyer, Miss Beatrice Lehman, Mrs. Niona Lehman, C. A. Lehneke, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Leversee, Donna Leversee, Miss Kathryn Leversee, Mrs. Harry Lomont, Mrs. Emily Lowman, Mrs. J. A. Lynn —
(To be continued).

NURSERY

Our Nursery Department should attract the attention of our members. Here devoted women are caring for our children during the Sunday school hour and the morning worship hour. If you have children you are privileged to leave them in the nursery while you attend morning worship. Those who work with our children win the gratitude of all of us.

May 26th will be family Night. At that time we shall give a special welcome to the new members who have recently come into our church. A fine program and fine fellowship are being planned. SAVE SUNDAY NIGHT, MAY THE 26th for your church.

YOUNG PEOPLE CONFERENCE

Those interested in going to young people's conference should make the necessary application now. We have been represented each year by a large number. Let us fill our quota this year. Scholarships are furnished by the church which pays one-half of the cost of the conference. THE CONFERENCE IS HELD AT LAKE WAWASEE.

INTERMEDIATE CAMP

WE ARE LIMITED TO FIVE. This camp is held at Winona Lake. Ask our youth who were there last year. We must fill our quota at earliest possible date.

ILL

Mrs. Louise Nichols is a patient at St. Joseph's Hospital, Room 371. Her condition is serious. No visitors.

C.Y.F.

The C.Y.F. will hold a picnic at Foster Park, Sunday at 4:00 P.M.

RUMMAGE SALE

The Rummage Sale, sponsored by the Women's Council will be held Thursday, Friday and Saturday, May 9, 10, 11, at 1421 S. Calhoun St.

ONE HUNDRED (100) OR MORE MEN AT THE MEN'S FORUM MEETING—JUNE 2



FIRST CHRISTIAN TIDINGS

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WORSHIP 10:30 A. M.

ORGAN PRELUDE—10:25 A. M.

Sermon: Saying "Yes" to God

Preacher: The Pastor

Great congregation again Sunday — Reverent worshipful spirit

Fine congregational singing — Friendly atmosphere.

Sermons that touch us where we live.

It is inspiring to see people Sunday after Sunday being received into the church. Every Sunday we see people thus witnessing for Christ and His Church.

THERE WAS NO MORE OPPORTUNE TIME THAN NOW TO SPEAK TO PEOPLE ABOUT THE GREATEST THING IN THE WORLD—THE CHRISTIAN LIFE. DO NOT FAIL TO GIVE THAT INVITATION NOW.

OUR JOB

There are times when we are apt to feel that our efforts do not count for much. We are overcome by the greatness of the job. We feel it is foolish for us to try our hand on an "impossible" task.

Some years ago a physician took a trip around the world. He visited China, he visited India, came home and told the missionary society that it was foolish to ever expect much from those countries. There were literally millions and our mission stations were so small. The job was too great. He well might convinced one of the finest young girls in the church that she should give up the idea of being a missionary. But she finished college, went to the Mission School, married a fine young man and the two of them entered the mission field.

Today we read over 5,000 per week are becoming Christians in India. At the present ratio, in 100 years India will have become a Christian nation. In China not only are the Chinese coming into the church by the thousands, but 75% of China's leaders are Christian.

Today we are saying "What can one do?" when there is graft in government—when everyone, it seems, has accepted drinking as something socially proper—when even church members are gambling. "What can I do?", you say, "When the world ignores Christian principles and evil seems to have won every inning." "Am I an apostle, or a prophet? I am no worker of miracles." And yet things are better than they seem. There are hundreds of thousands of families that are trying to follow Christ. All that is needed to make the kingdom of God work as a reality is for each of us, as well as our leaders, in our homes, in the factory, at our profession, in office and mart to be honest, truthful, industrious, courageous, loyal, forgiving, and loving. God knows how essential are those things we call common place. The mightiest issue may rest upon the smallest detail. Let us do our job, be it great or small, as Christians.



BACK IN WUHU

Miss Stella Tremaine, one of the first of our missionaries to return to China after the

close of the war, reports from her old station of Wuhu fifty-one days after leaving Indianapolis. She writes with enthusiasm of the work there:

"My arrival in Wuhu (the evening of February 13) was very timely for the annual meeting of the church was February 14. Nearly all of the old members of the church were there and some new people who have joined the church during the years that I have been in America. I received a very warm and joyous welcome, so demonstrative that I was quite embarrassed by the enthusiasm.

"The chairman of the church board, Chen Dao Sen, the man who has the longest history as a Christian among the church members, made a very impressive address on our opportunities and responsibilities as Christians.

"My time here has been too brief to give any estimate on the repairs that are necessary on any of the property . . . The school seems to be flourishing. I saw a long list of the new students accepted by the faculty for this coming semester . . . Later I can give an accurate and detailed report on all the work of the station."



● 27,577 MISSIONARIES

It is surprising to know that 27,577 Protestant missionaries now serve in 65 countries, predominantly rural. Missionaries are ideally situated to combine practical leadership in agriculture and rural family life with basic moral development. Often the first step in economic improvement must be release from a hampering

religious tradition into Christian freedom. . . . We know that each major industry must be geared into the interdependent world economy. Agriculture is the basic industry. And we know that unless moral integrity underlies our plans and permeates our performances, we are building on sand.

— DR. JOHN H. REISNER,
Agricultural Missions, Inc.



● THEY CALL FOR HELP

India is today faced with a food shortage which will far outstrip in seriousness the Bengal famine of last year and famines of recent decades, according to government and private advices reaching the India Committee of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America, and the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ.

The India Committee has appealed to President Truman for government food aid for India, saying that American church people are ready, under his leadership, to assume voluntary rationing so that supplies may be sent to the stricken people. Lord Wavall, the India viceroy, confirms the situation, saying that the country is short 3,000,000 tons of food grains and that this amount cannot be imported because of world shortages.



*We search the world for truth. We cull
The good, the true, the beautiful
From graven stone and written scroll,
And all old flower-fields of the soul;
And, weary seekers of the best,
We come back laden from our quest,
To find that all the sages said
Is in the Book our mothers read.*

-- John Greenleaf Whittier.



*"Crowns and thrones may perish,
Kingdoms rise and wane,
But the Church of Jesus
Constant will remain."*

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CHURCH SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.

Our Church School has shown real growth in the last weeks. Keep it up. Come and bring your children to the Church School.

WORLD CALL

We are within about eleven of having 100 subscribers to the "World Call." This important brotherhood paper should be in every home. The cost is one dollar per year. Call Mrs. H. W. Sigrist, H-78483, and place your order at once. Our missionary year ends June 30. The year book closes on that date. It is hoped that we will have well passed the 100 mark in "World Call" subscriptions by that time.

WE WELCOME

We are happy to welcome into our church the following:

Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Adams, former members of our church. Mr. Adams was a former officer of our church and was assistant superintendent. Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Traffa LaFave. These three men have recently been mustered out of the service. Mr. and Mrs. Don W. Conway, William D. Conway, Miss Donna J. Akers, Don R. Conway, a fine family. Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Harris of Lebanon, Ind., and Mrs. Alma Beck of Laud, Ind.

Reserve Sunday Evening, May 26th
for Family Night.

Reception for New Members will take place at that time.

CORRECTION

A typographical error was made in the spelling of the name of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Badders of 130 West Creighton Avenue.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL

Beginning June 10th The First Christian Church will have a Vacation Church School in co-operation with the ASSOCIATED CHURCHES. Children from the ages of four years through Junior High School age will be registered for 2 weeks' school. The school this year is to be headed by Mrs. Delmas Young, as director.

Young People Conference

Lake Wawasee, June 9-15

Young people should register as early as possible for this conference

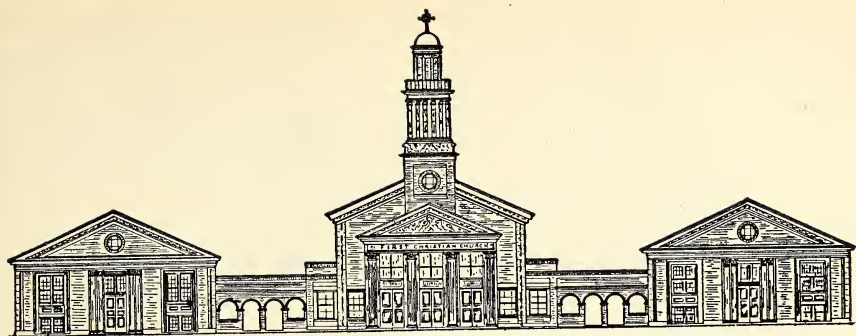
MAY BREAKFAST

The Woman's Council will have their Annual May Breakfast, Tuesday morning, May 21st, at 10:00 o'clock in the Social Room of the Church. The Naomi Circle will be Hostess. Special Music and a fine program has been planned. All ladies of the church and their friends are cordially invited to attend.

LOYAL REAPERS

The Loyal Reapers will meet with Mrs. Walter L. Smith, 435 W. Williams St., Friday, May 24, at 8:00 o'clock. Miss Emma Crabill will be the assistant hostess. The members are requested to bring articles for the White Elephant Sale.

THE MEN'S FORUM WANT OVER 100 MEN AT THE JUNE MEETING
INVITE A GUEST NOW FOR JUNE 2



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**Church School 9:30 A.M.
Morning Worship 10:30 A.M.**

**SUNDAY WORSHIP
10:30 A.M.**

Sermon: Refusing to Be Frightened
Choir

Special Music

Preacher: Our Pastor
Offertory Solo

This Sunday near Memorial Day should find every citizen of our country in Church. Everywhere is the warning that we turn to the church. Spiritual bankruptcy is found in so many places. Like prophets of old, the Seers of our day are crying "Make straight the way of the Lord. Return to God. Be in church on Sunday."

**WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS
AT
FAMILY NIGHT PROGRAM**

6:00 P.M.

Special Music

Group Singing

Grand Fellowship

Responses from Alexander M. Campbell, Dale Parkerson, Mrs. John F. Davis and our pastor, Robert T. Beck.

Miss Sarah Shroyer will be in charge of special music. There will be a solo by Miss Janet Thompson. Owen Vaught will lead in group singing.

There will be an introduction of new members which have been received into the church.

Mr. A. O. Schell, chairman of the Official Board will preside.

Members are asked to bring a covered dish. Please see additional information in the notes in another section of this issue.

OUR CHURCH SCHOOL

New interest is being manifested in our Church School. Excellent classes bring opportunities of study and discussion with personal fellowship for the adults. The High School department has made marked growth. Other groups are active and progressive.

The children's house is alive on Sunday with activity.

ATTENTION NEW MEMBERS: Your Church School is expecting you to enroll. Please do not delay.

● MISSIONARIES AT WORK

New missionaries to India, arriving on the field in recent months, have been stationed as follows: Mr. and Mrs. William D. Hall to Mungeli; Mr. and Mrs. Keith Hall to Damoh; Dr. and Mrs. Donald Rice to Damoh (where he was born); Dr. Dorothea Macdougall to Jackman Memorial Hospital at Bilaspur where she will be in charge during the approaching furlough of Dr. Hope Nichoson; and Miss Wilhelmina Macdougall to Bilaspur.

Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bonham, back in India after extended furlough due to the war, are stationed at Pendra Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Reynolds, who returned to India on January 9, have also been stationed at Pendra Road.

Mrs. Miriam Terry will be in charge of the Burgess Memorial Girls' School at Bilaspur during the furlough of Miss Vida Elliott.

Others expected from India in the near future for furlough are: Misses Neva Nicholson, Anna Cowdery, Edith Clare Walden, and Dr. Elizabeth Lutz.

● MISS ELMA IRELAN

After forty years of service in the Mexico Mission of Disciples of Christ, Miss Elma Irelan has retired. She went first to the work in Monterrey in 1905, teaching in our school there. When war conditions made it unwise for missionaries to remain in Monterrey, Miss Irelan went to Piedras Negras and helped to organize the orphanage.

In 1919, when the mission was moved to central Mexico, Miss Irelan carried the responsibility for the organization and administration of the Colegio Morelos in Aguascalientes, and continued in that

capacity until government regulations made it necessary to close the school. Under her guidance many well prepared Christian young women went out to contribute to the educational progress of Mexico in private and government schools. Since the close of this school, Miss Irelan has continued to serve both in Aguascalientes and in San Luis Potosi, and her presence in any gathering has been a blessing and an inspiration.



● I BELIEVE IN THE RURAL CHURCH

I believe in the Rural Church. I believe its progress is fundamental to the future welfare of our nation.

I believe in the Rural Community: in its neighborliness; in its serving institutions; in its creative environment of understanding and sympathy.

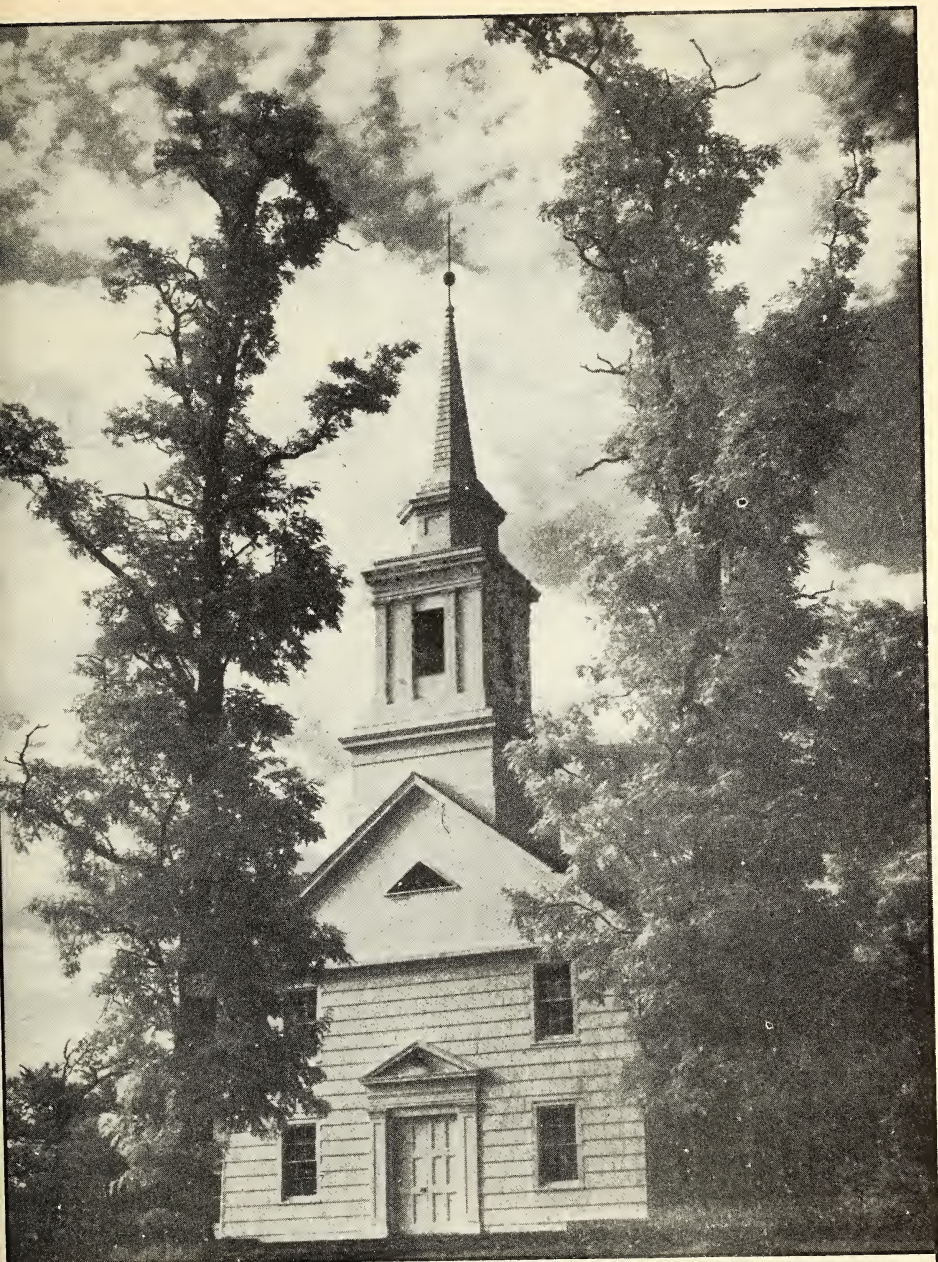
I believe in Rural People: in the integrity of the men and women of the soil; in the hopes and dreams of their sons and daughters; in their need for Christ.

I believe in the Rural Christ. He was one who loved the flocks and fields, the birds and trees, ripening wheat bending before the clean-blowing breeze. He loved the sons of the soil.

I believe a new day dawns for Christianizing rural life, the children of the countryside, rural communities and their institutions. I covet rural life for Christ. I believe "community religion" is essential to any present-day portrayal of Christ. I rejoice to have some part in the growth "toward a Christian America."

I believe in the Rural Church.

—Ralph L. Williamson.



*All Thy works with joy surround Thee,
Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays.*

— Henry Van Dyke.

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SPECIAL NOTICE

Due to the mid-week holiday, May 30th, all notices for the Tidings and the music for the Morning Worship Program **MUST** be in the office by **1:00 o'clock Monday, May 27th**. If you will write out your notice and drop in offering plates next Sunday, they will reach the office in time for printing.

WELCOME VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. William Rodgers, of California, are visiting with friends and relatives here in the city. Mr. and Mrs. Rodgers were formerly and for many years, active members of this church. They are the parents of Mr. Walter Rodgers, one of our fine young men in the Church.

WEDDING BELLS

Mrs. Gertrude Sutton and Mr. Jay J. McCarel were united in a beautiful wedding in the Victory Chapel at the church. Mr. and Mrs. McCarel are active and faithful members of our church. The best of wishes to them.

MAY BREAKFAST

Around 110 women attended the May Breakfast given by the Women's Council. A fine program was presented. The Social room was beautifully decorated in Spring flowers and miniature May poles.

CHURCH COUNCIL OPPOSES BINGO

The legislative committee of the New York State Council of Churches has moved to block passage of bills which would legalize bingo games in New York City, Nassau and Suffolk counties, and permit the sale of lottery tickets in New York and Buffalo.

In a memorandum to legislators and executive leaders, the committee pointed out that "bingo is illegal in the rest of the state" and asked why "special favors" should be given to New York City and the two other counties.

Opposing all forms of gambling, the committee asserted that lotteries have been proven by long experience to be an unwise method of raising funds, and a corrupting influence.

ILLNESS

Mr. Arza Smith is ill in Lutheran Hospital.

Mrs. John Frame is confined to her home on DeWald Street.

YOUNG PEOPLE CONFERENCE

Lake Wawasee—June 9-16

INTERMEDIATE CAMP

Winona Lake—June 23-27

Youth should get in touch with the assistant superintendent at once for opportunity to attend conference or camp.

LOYAL REAPERS

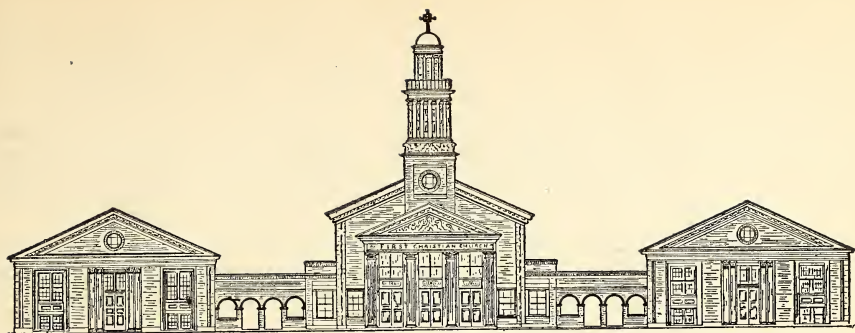
The Loyal Reapers will meet with Mrs. E. R. Baker, 1833 Third St., Friday, May 24th, 8:00 o'clock. Mrs. Ray Dale will be assistant hostess. Members are requested to bring articles for the White Elephant Sale.

FAMILY NIGHT

Family Night will be Sunday evening, May 26th. It will be a carry-in dinner at 6:00 P.M. The menu is planned as follows: Chinese Meat Balls, Escalloped or Au Gratin potatoes, vegetable salad, ginger bread with whipped cream. The bread, butter, cream and coffee will be furnished. If you have not been contacted, please bring a covered dish chosen from the articles of food mentioned above or anything else you prefer to prepare. It will **not** be necessary for you to bring your table service.

HONOR ROLL

Mrs. Mene Bedford, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Bowker, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Childers, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Clipp, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Coar, Marilyn Crouse, Mrs. Maud Cruse, Mrs. Charles E. Dare, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Frost, Mrs. Nettie Funk, Mr. and Mrs. M. Cleo Halleck, Rev. Richard and Miss Elaine Jones, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Jordan, Miss Helen Jordan, Mr. and Mrs. John Juday, Mrs. Cora Kover, Miss Louise McGuire, Miss Marguerite McGuire, Mrs. Daisy McIntyre, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Moser, Mrs. Alpha Piercy, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Vaught, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vernor.



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MORNING WORSHIP

10:30 A.M.

Sermon Subject: "IDOLS" Preacher, Our Pastor
This Sunday is CHILDREN'S DAY in our church. The Children will have a program at the Sunday School hour. At the close of the morning service children will be brought for a

SERVICE OF BLESSING. Parents having small children are asked to get in touch with the church office, Mrs. Walter C. Birkhold or our pastor. This will be an inspiring part of our service Sunday.

CHURCH SCHOOL 9:30 A.M.

You will have opportunity to see our children this Sunday morning as they share with the adults something of their work in a program they are preparing.

BRING A LIBERAL OFFERING SUNDAY. This goes to the world work of the Church.

LOOKING TO PENTECOST

June the 9th is Pentecost Sunday. Every Sunday at the morning service we are having the privileges of seeing many consecrate themselves to Christ and the Church. God is blessing our church with substantial growth. A gracious and reverent spirit pervades our church. We are a happy group of people. We become effective as increasingly more and more of our membership are entering into the active program of our church. We each have a part. There is no better way to serve your church than to interest another, not only to attend worship services, but even more to interest another in becoming a part of the church of our Lord. This period looking to Pentecost is a most opportune time to make this approach.

MEN'S FORUM — 6:30 O'CLOCK

This will be the largest meeting of our Men's Forum. Over one hundred men are expected to be present. This is the last meeting before the summer season when there will be no further meetings until October.

GREAT PROGRAM IS PLANNED—Major Louis Curdes, famed air pilot, is to be the guest speaker. He will relate some of his experiences in the air. Through the courtesy of Glenn Miller we will have special music. Owen Vaughn will lead the forum in group singing.

EVERY MAN SHOULD BE PRESENT. Send in your reservations early. The Dorcas Circle will prepare the dinner.

● IN RESISTENCIA

Our church in Resistencia, Argentina, began the year 1946 with a membership of 33 persons, five having been baptized on Sunday, December 30, in the Negro River out from the city. In addition, there are groups of children and young people which give promise of other baptisms in this year. Sunday school attendance was from 35 to 50 in January and February, which is summer there.

During this year, Pastor Feliciano A. Sarli and his wife will be assisted by Nicholas Martinez and his young wife. With the aid of these two workers, Mr. Sarli expects to start a new Sunday school in another part of Resistencia and follow up with family prayer meetings and Bible study. They will also reorganize the Sunday school in the Resistencia church since there will be the additional teachers for the staff.



TO TELL OF ONE

*So many souls about us, Lord, await
The cleansing power of Thy healing
balm,
The strengthening force to bring eternal
calm.*

*So many weary, world-worn men, whose
fate*

*It is to wander here and then, too late,
To find that no one offered them a psalm
Of life, nor sounded forth alarm
That one day death would bring them to
the gate*

*Of heaven, there to find that they must
recite*

*The deeds they've done on earth; un-
fortunate*

*Poor souls, who found not Christ, the
Son of God,*

*Yet looked to us to guide their lives
aright.*

*We fail them if we pause, or hesitate
To speak of Him, who in this earth once
trod.*

— Author Unknown.

● THEY, TOO, SHARE

The women of our churches in Puerto Rico, through their missionary societies, have given \$40.00 toward the special project, "The Fields Are White." In sending this amount, the following message was included: "May God bless this small offering to the furthering of his work and also bless abundantly the person who has dedicated his life to the work of our Lord."



● "OF EVERY RACE AND CLAN"

The population density in ordinary sections of Los Angeles is from 300 to 500 per square mile. Around All People's Church it runs from 3000 to 5000 per square mile. This is due to the fact that these peoples, of various racial backgrounds, cannot move out of this area because of restrictive covenants placed on residential real estate elsewhere in the city.

The citizenship insecurity of Korean, Indian, Japanese, and other residents, and their being barred from ordinary places of recreation—these are just two of the reasons for continuance of All People's community house.





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WOMAN'S COUNCIL

The Dorcas Group will meet with Mrs. Henry Flowers, 1616 Rumsey, Thursday, June 6th, at 8:00 p.m. Please bring Philippine Relief donations.

The Esther Group will meet with Mrs. Joe Sipiles, 1127 Charlotte Ave., Wednesday, June 5th, for a pot-luck dinner at 12 o'clock noon.

The Martha Group will have their annual Birthday party at the home of Mrs. M. Kimble, 1241 W. Branning Ave., Wednesday, June 12th, at 1:00 p.m. Those having birthdays in the second half of the year will furnish the carry-in luncheon. (Please note time change)

The Rachael Group will meet with Mrs. F. H. Rogers, 3021 Weisser Park Ave., Tuesday, June 4th. Mrs. O. G. Schell will give the devotions and Mrs. Irene Cline is in charge of the program.

The Ruth group will have a Garden Party at the home of Mrs. Moe Sheline, 4125 Warsaw Tuesday, June 4th. Mrs. Louise Lacy will give the devotions.

The Naomi Group will meet with Mrs. J. Fred Smell, Maumee Road, Wednesday, June 5th.

OFFICIAL BOARD AND ELDERS MEETING

Pictures of Board Members for History and Anniversaries Book will be taken. The Official Board will meet Wednesday evening, June 5th, at 7:45 p.m. The Elders will meet prior to this meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Rabbi Frederick H. Doppelt will speak on "Religious Education in Church and Home."

DEACONS FOR JUNE

Charles Young, Captain; Harold J. Bowker, Fred H. Wilson, Glenn R. Miller, Paul E. Parsons, Charles J. Kollman, Henry M. Flowers, Richard J. Rousseau. If it is impossible for you to serve please notify your captain.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL

Two Weeks—Beginning June 10th. This school will be open to children each morning from 9 to 11 o'clock from Monday to Friday. Mrs. Delmas Young will direct this School. See that your children enjoy this fine privilege of vacation Church School.

The teachers are: Miss Dale Hiler and Mrs. Harold Roberts. Mrs. Earl Fusselman, Mrs. Robert Truelove; Mrs. B. W. Leversee and Mrs. Henry Flowers and Mrs. Robert T. Beck.

Mrs. Edwin Geerkin and Mrs. Glenn Miller and Miss Anita Fitch.

ELDERS FOR JUNE

June 2: Robert Clipp, John F. Davis; June 9th: H. G. Hiler, A. M. Campbell; June 16th: W. C. Birkhold, J. Fred Riethmiller; June 23rd: A. O. Schell, Ray Barnett; June 30th: P. H. Somers, Dale Parkerson.

"I'LL SEE YOU IN CHURCH"

Boy meets girl. They fall in love. They get married.

That's the old story. In post war-time the story progresses somewhat abruptly and under difficulties. But even in post war can't put a stop to romance and marriage.

The question is, Where does boy meet girl? If they meet in a taproom or on a pick-up date in the streets, the story will probably not have a happy ending.

Figures show that the young people who have the best chance of successful and enduring marriage are those who meet in Sunday school and Youth Groups, who are married by their own pastor in their own church, and who continue faithful in the life of their congregation.

The reason is simple enough. Young people who share with each other in their Christian faith have the most trustworthy foundation for enduring love. God is the sustainer of their faithfulness.



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DAY OF PENTECOST SUNDAY — JUNE 9th

This Sunday, the birthday of the Church, is an important day. In the history of the Universe, the church has lived a short time. In the transition that has come in spiritual viewpoint the church marks the greatest progress in the history of mankind. In the hope given to the world, it remains as civilization's last chance. If you are one with faith in the future, you can express it no better than by supporting the church. **COME TO CHURCH THIS SUNDAY.**

Organ Prelude 10:25 A.M.

Beautiful Special Music.

Great Hymns

The Lord's Supper will be celebrated

Sermon: **Here Is The Answer.**

Speaker: **Our Pastor**

AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE MORNING SERVICE A PICTURE WILL BE TAKEN OF OUR CONGREGATION AT WORSHIP.

This picture will be placed in our **75th Anniversary Book.**

CHURCH SCHOOL — 9:30 A.M.

The Three Women's Classes will have their picture taken this Sunday. Everyone in these classes should be present.

The High School Class will have their picture taken at this time.

These pictures will go in the **75th Anniversary Book.**

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL BEGINS MONDAY

Two Weeks — From Monday to Friday — 9 - 11 A.M.

GREAT TIME FOR OUR BOYS AND GIRLS — FINE TEACHERS

EXCELLENT PROGRAM — TUITION PAID BY CHURCH SCHOOL

SEE THAT YOUR CHILDREN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS OPPORTUNITY

For Children from 4 years — to — 13 years of age.

OUR MISSIONARY YEAR ENDS JUNE 30TH

The Year Book of the Disciples of Christ closes June 30th. All offerings should be sent into headquarters by that time.

Last year our church showed great increases in offering and church membership. We should more than duplicate that record this year. Be sure to send in your offerings — speak to that man, woman or youth that should be in the church. Help make this one of our greatest years ending June 30th.

• SUMMER CONFERENCES IN FEBRUARY

During the summer vacation period in Argentina, two interdenominational conferences were held on the campus of Ward College, as has been the custom for several years. From February 2 - 9, there were 72 intermediate boys and girls enrolled, with 8 adult teachers; from February 9 - 16, there were 48 young men and women with 5 leaders. These conferences are the source of much information and enthusiasm for the evangelical youth of the country.

S. S. McWilliams and Paul Andress, of our mission, were among the leaders.



• A NEW SCHOOL

Jamaica's most crying need is rural secondary education, with a Christian foundation and philosophy; for 85 per cent of Jamaica is, must be, and shall likely continue to be rural.

Knowing this, the Allans last year moved into the "bush" — to an old mission house in the hills. Here we have 16 acres of land and plenty of scope to do the kind of educational work we want to do. The rambling old house and out-buildings needed remodeling to house students, the desks and benches had to be built for a class room in the church. On January 7 of this year our school was started. We opened classes with five students. Since then five more have registered. Not every one that applied has been accepted. Our aim is not so much mass education as it is to "train rural young people of Jamaica for competent leadership in the New Jamaica."

To illustrate the policy of our work. Each of our seven boys is planning to cultivate a square of Irish potatoes. He will rent his plot from the Mission, measure it off for himself, work it up — plant, weed, hill up, and harvest his own plot. He will keep track of the time he has expended in the total process, how much interest he owes for the financing, and

what percentage of profit or loss he has sustained. He will learn that cultivating is cooperating with God, that God's earth is holy.

We have undertaken to train young Jamaicans "for life"; that they may love Jamaica and Jamaicans; that they may become keen scholars of science and of life; and that they might appreciate the dignities and skills of commonplace labor. If these young folk are to lead and be the New Jamaica, there must develop in them a synthesis of heart and head and hand.

— A. A. ALLAN

Missionary to Jamaica



• STEWARDSHIP

"We are not practicing stewardship if our legacy to our children is not first of all a legacy of Christian character.

"We are not practicing stewardship if we leave to our children unconsecrated wealth.

"We are not practicing stewardship if in our last will and testament we do not acknowledge our love for, interest in, and desire to see carried forward the Kingdom enterprise with which we have been identified."



YOUNG PEOPLES' SUMMER CONFERENCES
WILL SOON BE HERE!





"I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. . . . And I lay down my life for the sheep. And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring."

— John 10:14-16

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WEDDING BELLS

Wedding Bells rang for Lake O. Parrish and Lorena Ford Christen, May 25th. Kindest good wishes go to this fine couple. Mr. and Mrs. Parrish are living at 901 Edgewater Avenue.

WOMAN'S COUNCIL

The Martha Group will have their Birthday carry-in luncheon at 1:00 p.m. at the home of Mrs. M. Kimble, 1241 W. Branning, Wednesday, June 12th.

EVENING GUILD

The Guild will meet with Misses Ethel and Sarah Shroyer, 1509 Hurd St., Monday, June 10th, at 8:00 o'clock.

CHILDREN'S DAY OFFERING

For the benefit of those who were unable to be present last Sunday, the Children's Day Offering will be held up until after Sunday, June 9th. This Offering is used to promote the missionary work in the foreign fields. What we do, today, to send the Word of God to the children of these lands, will be returned to us, tomorrow, in peace and happiness. Let us do all we can, today.

ILLNESS

Mrs. Dale Bailey, Covington Rd., who was in the hospital is convalescing in her home. Mr. John Timmons has returned much improved to his home after being in the hospital.

CLASS OF 1946

We honor our High School students who graduate this year:

Miss Virginia Dare

Miss Sally Braden

Miss Doris Sweeney

Miss Marilyn Miller

Miss Kathryn Schell

Miss Melba McCammon

Jack Bruce Brickley

Louis Kissinger

Dale Tracey

Donald Miller

Dean Howard

Gene Monroe

Our best wishes go with these young people.

IN SYMPATHY

We are deeply grieved in the passing of Mrs. Louise Nichols. She has been a member of this church for many years. She was faithful in attendance and loyal to her church at all times. Her friends will miss her. Our sympathy goes out to her fine family. Mrs. James Erwin and Mrs. Maud Ruby are sisters. Mrs. William Tucker is her daughter.

BLESSING OUR BABIES

The following babies were in the Service of Blessing last Sunday:

John Ray Varner, Lawrence A. Horn, Jr., Ronald James Dullaghan, Patricia Sue Altman, Douglas Lynn Tracey, Paul Edwin Hopkins.

WAWASEE CONFERENCE, 1946

These young people are taking advantage of the opportunity presented to attend the Young Peoples Conference, June 9th to 15th.

Misses Virginia Dare, Martha Ellen Dilts, Marlene Gaskill, Marilyn Richard, Lois Jane Miller, Mildred Martin, Doris Sweeney, Leonard Horn, Lowell Dare, Harold Martin, Thomas Hirschy. Mrs. Charles E. Dare will be among the teachers at the Conference. Mr. Dilts, Mr. Leversee, Mr. Leonard Horn, and Mrs. Raymond Martin will furnish the transportation to Lake Wawasee.

LOST AND FOUND

There is a lovely pair of blue chamiset gloves here in the office which someone left in the Church several Sundays ago. Owner please contact the secretary.

NO LIGHT

A Chinese proverb came to our desk the other day: "An empty lamp gives forth no light." A good thought for a church member. How about your light. Perhaps your lamp is empty. Put this along side of Jesus' words, "So let your light shine—that men seeing your good works will glorify your father which is in heaven.

Are you darkness or light?



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SUNDAY: ROSE FESTIVAL

MORNING WORSHIP: 10:30

THIS SUNDAY our church will be filled with roses. These will be brought to our church on Saturday morning or early Saturday afternoon. A Committee of six will make our church a veritable fairyland of flowers and roses. **This Annual Celebration** in our church has gathered much meaning. **Do Not Miss Sunday's Services.**

Sermon:

WHEN GOD SPEAKS HIS MIND.....Speaker, Our Pastor
ORGAN PRELUDE, 10:25 A. M.Special Music by Choir

Offertory Solo

Great Hymns.....Fine Congregational Singing

**BEGINNING THE FIRST SUNDAY IN JULY—MORNING WORSHIP WILL BE AT
9:30 A. M. CHURCH SCHOOL AT 10:45 A. M. TOTAL PROGRAM
WILL CLOSE AT 11:20 A. M. FOR THE SUMMER**

Plan to go to Church and Sunday School this Summer

ATTENTION CHURCH SCHOOL!

**THE MEN'S CLASS, THE LAKODA CLASS, THE PROGRESSIVE CLASS, THE
YOUNG MARRIED PEOPLE'S CLASS WILL HAVE THEIR PICTURES
TAKEN THIS SUNDAY—BE SURE TO BE PRESENT—
THESE PICTURES WILL GO INTO OUR ANNIVERSARY BOOK**

CHURCH SCHOOL 9:30 A. M.

The Church Marches On!

Some of us have been amazed at the conduct of supposedly world statesmen in this post war days. We had thought that the war was fought for the **Four Freedoms**. But the action of many men in many places indicates that the four freedoms are having rough sledding in Europe, in Asia, in Africa and in the Americas. By a recent order in Argentina by Peron, no missionary effort may be carried on by Evangelicals except by permission of a Roman Catholic Committee. There has been no publicity in the United States of this decree. The Christian Century carries an editorial on this matter. But even more is the last of injustice for defeated peoples, the iron band of news censorship in Russia and in a dozen points it is found that we cannot trust nationalism in the world today.

**Teachers
at
Burgess
Memorial
Girls' School**



• YOUTH AND CHRISTIANITY

Mrs. Miriam Terry, asked to assume the responsibility for the Burgess Memorial Girls' School at Bilaspur, India, says: "It is work in the city, when I prefer the villages; and working with older children, when I like working with little ones. Usually, however, when I have had to do something I did not want to do, or have had to change my own plans or desires to meet some emergency, it has turned out for good and I have been blessed in ways that I never dreamed possible.

"This is a real opportunity for service which I appreciate for there are girls in the school of all types, not only those of our Christian families but those from the merchant, lawyer, official, and other types of Hindu and Moslem homes.

"We have found that the officials and other Indian leaders who have attended our Christian schools usually have a much more sympathetic attitude toward the Christian work and toward Christians. There is a rapid political and economic change taking place in India so the more we can do to influence the young people for good the more it will mean for Christianity in the future."

• THE CHRISTIAN HOME

The family is the very foundation of society. To followers of Christ, its relationships are sacred. However, in the period of the war, our domestic casualties were more numerous than our military ones. While approximately 9 per cent of our armed forces were killed or wounded in the war, marriage casualties in the same period amounted to several times 9 per cent. This destruction still goes on.

Men, women and children need the strength and emotional support which come from good homes. And homes provide the bed-rock foundation on which a better world can be established.

Churches are built on sound family life. They cannot thrive on insecure homes and neglected children. Communities are stable when homes are steadfast; they are wholesome when families live as good neighbors.

As America builds up a Christian family life, family life will build up a Christian America.



"It is not the possession of extraordinary gifts that makes extraordinary usefulness, but the dedication of what we have to the service of God."

— F. W. ROBERTSON

The Mother

She is clothed with strength and dignity,
And she laughs at the days to come.
She opens her mouth in wisdom,
And kindly counsel is on her tongue.
She looks well after her household,
And eats not the bread of idleness,
Her children rise up, and bless her—
Her husband also, and praises her:
“Many women have done well,
But you have excelled them all.”
Charms are deceptive, and beauty is a breath;
But a woman who reveres the Lord—
she will be praised.

— *Proverbs 31:25-30*



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BUT THE CHURCH MARCHES ON.

The Church has refused to hate. In Germany we find the churches confessing their sins. In other parts of the world churches are sending food stuff and clothing to the needy around the world without graft or political maneuvering. The Federal Council of Churches of Christ is speaking out in bolder terms than ever for human mercy and kindness. The World Council is beginning to function with real effect. OUR OWN MISSIONARY WORK is being expanded, and beginning where we left off, we have not stopped the program of building Christian lives to the end that one day we may have a **Christian World**.

THE CHURCH MARCHES ON IN 1946.

To be a part of the church and its creative work is a privilege unequalled anywhere else in the world. **SUPPORT THE WORK OF THE CHURCH, BE AN ACTIVE CREATIVE PART OF THE WORLD.**

OUR CHURCH MARCHES ON. Every Sunday new members are being received. Here is where you can have a part. Be a creative part of the church.

PICTURES

Pictures will be taken of the **Progressive Class, the Men's Class, the Young Married People's Class, and the Lakoda Class**, before the services next Sunday morning. The picture of the **Choir** will be taken next Sunday also, following the Morning services. Classes please try to have a record attendance. These pictures are for the new Church History.

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy goes out to Mrs. R. E. Firestone and her family and to Dr. and Mrs. G. Whelan in the passing of their loved ones.

WOMEN'S COUNCIL

The General Council will meet Tuesday afternoon, June 18th, at 2:15 p. m. Esther Group has planned the program, with a Book Review by Mrs. Fred Hilker. The Rachel Group will be hostess.

WORLD CALL

Mrs. H. W. Sigrist, World Call secretary reports that she now has 97 subscriptions to World Call magazine. Rev. Beck would like for us to have 100 by the time of the International Convention at Columbus, in August. This is one of the finest Church papers published. Subscriptions are \$1.00 a year. See Rev. Beck or Mrs. Sigrist.

ROSE FESTIVAL COMMITTEE

Mr. and Mrs. M. Heller, Mr. and Mrs. C. Yoquelet, Mrs. J. C. Koegel, Mrs. David Hogg and Mrs. C. F. Durfee constitute the committee in charge of arrangements and decorations for Rose Sunday.

ILLNESS

Mrs. Harry Lomont, 1126 Fairfield Ave., has experienced a broken collar bone. Mr. M. Gindlesparger is ill at home, at 231 E. Masterson, and Mr. Frank Frame, 1130 Jackson St. is convalescing.

LOST AND FOUND

A new tan straw hat, with a brown ribbon band, property of Mr. J. Z. Berlein, was taken by mistake last Sunday morning. Gentlemen, please check your hats, and call the Church office if you find you have the wrong one.

THE VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL

The Vacation Church School has got off to a fine start this week, with many children in attendance. New children will be received next Monday. Parents should see that their children are in this school.

Your Church Calls You to Worship Sunday



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MORNING WORSHIP 10:30 A.M.

Organ Prelude — 10:25 A.M.

Sermon: HOW TO HOLD ON

Speaker: Our Minister

Our Church was a thing of beauty last Sunday

Our congregation was reverent — — — — — Our Music was inspiring

Hear your minister again this Sunday bring a message that will
help in the day we are living.

Church School — 9:30 A.M.

**THE CHILDREN OF THE CHILDREN'S HOUSE WILL HAVE THEIR PICTURES
TAKEN THIS SUNDAY. SOME WILL BE TAKEN IN THE CLASS
ROOMS — SEE THAT YOUR CHILDREN ARE PRESENT**

The largest attendance of the year was present last Sunday in our Church School.
Keep up the record. Be in your Sunday School class this Sunday.

Our Intermediates leave for Intermediate Camp at Winona Lake this Sunday.
Five of our youth—which is the limit given us—will be in this camp.

AT THE LORD'S TABLE

It is the Lord's Table. The marks of His ownership are upon it. On it is the bread. In the Gospel of St. Luke we read, "And He took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them, saying, This is my body which is given for you." On this table also is the cup. Of this cup He said, "This cup is the new Testament in my blood, which is shed for you." These are the symbols of His broken body and shed blood. These tell us once again that it is His Table.

It is an old Table. For more than 1900 years it has been in existence. Time has neither destroyed it nor weakened it. It remains. With the passing of the years, it has gathered new meaning and significance. "Change and decay, in all around I see" cannot be spoken of it.

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Your Church Calls You to Worship Sunday

● Weekday Religious Education

The rapid spread of the weekday church school plan is seen in the fact that now in 1,800 communities in 46 states, there are enrolled 1,500,000 pupils for religious instruction in weekday schools.

Of the pupils enrolled, 25 per cent are among the "unreached" who are not receiving any other religious instruction.

Another encouraging sign in the field of religious education is the report to the Year Book of Disciples of Christ which shows an increase of 15,000 in Sunday school enrollment among our churches last year.



● Suggestions to Individuals

Six suggestions are made by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America as to what individuals can do to promote better relations among the races in American life:

— Examine your own heart and mind for lurking prejudice and hostility toward persons of other racial or cultural groups; and refrain from judgment about them without understanding the facts.

— Practice in daily contacts personal beliefs in the human value and dignity of each person.

— Enlist for definite tasks to promote inter-racial brotherhood in the organizations of your community.

— Become informed and active in legislation for permanent fair employment practices in your state and the nation.

— Work to see that racial segregation is removed from the armed services.

— Keep in touch with agencies working for better race relations; consult the social action department of your church.



● Home Missions at Work

"Home missions must be put in a world setting. It is important for foreign missions that a new world of order be made, but it is also important to home missions. Home missions will make the kind of country here in America that will influence the world to be . . .

"One of the most incredible products of Christian influence in America is what is happening in Japan now. The American soldiers are capturing Japan, not with guns but with demonstrations of decent living and friendship for the Japanese. These soldiers received their training for this job not from the military, but in home, church, and school. That is home missions at work in Japan."

— *Dr. Luman J. Shafer,*
Member of recent Protestant
commission visiting Japan.



OUTSTANDING FACTS FROM THE 1945 YEAR BOOK

— The total world membership of Disciples of Christ is 1,849,591, an increase of 3,762 over the previous year.

— Membership in United States and Canada is 1,683,028, an increase of 1,095.

— The total number of baptisms reported for the year was 55,037.

— The number for United States and Canada was 50,607.

— The total number of churches throughout the world is 8,926.

— In the United States and Canada, the number is 8,004.

— Number of ministers in United States and Canada is 7,854.

— Total monies given by members in the United States and Canada to national boards reporting to the International Convention, including relief and emergency gifts, was \$8,759,872.65.

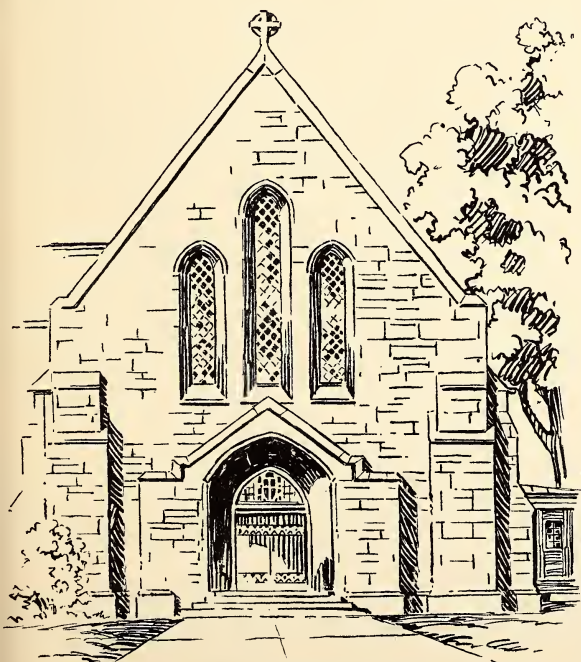
— Average gift per member in the United States and Canada was \$5.20.

"The Church's one foundation

Is Jesus Christ her Lord; . . .

With His own blood He bought her,

And for her life He died."



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It is a long Table. Today it reaches around the world. Men of all nations and races are found seated about it, as His guests. As it was in the long ago in an Upper Room when He sat down and the twelve apostles with Him", so it is now. He sits at His Table with his followers about Him in a holy fellowship. There is room for all Christians, from the least to the greatest, at His Table.

It is a family Table. Those about His Table are members of His world family. They wear His name. The aged and the young are here. No distinctions can be made here between the rich and poor, wise and ignorant, cultured and uncultured. At His Table, the floor is level. He loves us all. It is indeed a world family for—

"In Christ there is no East or West
In Him no South or North

But one great fellowship of love
Throughout the whole wide earth."

At the Lord's Table, I would remember Him. Paul wrote this wise word to the young man Timothy, "Remember Jesus Christ." Here I would remember His life and ministry on earth; I would recall His death on the cross; I would reflect on His resurrection from the grave and His ascension into Heaven.

I would think, also on His relationship to me as Lord and Saviour and my relationship to Him as His humble disciple.

One preacher has said, "My whole horizon is filled with Jesus Christ." Christ had done so much for him. He had changed his life. He was forever different. To him, Christ was everything. Here at His Table, I too can call to mind so much that He has done for me and through me. Because of all that He has done and is doing for my salvation, I can say with Paul, "Thanks be to God for His Unspeakable gift."

At the Lord's Table, I would seek forgiveness for "all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." Here, let me come as penitent, not as perfect;

as a suppliant, not as sufficient in myself. Let me come humbly to the throne of grace that I may receive mercy, and find grace to help in time of my need. Here I seek His forgiveness for all my sins of pride, envy, fear, jealousy and selfishness. Along with others at His Table, I too need the forgiving love of God in Christ. I need His cleansing grace in order to be healed at the heart. And so, here at the Lord's Table, I turn in faith to the promise, "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

—Clipped

COME DOUBLE CLASS

Class officers, 1946: President, Mrs. Pauline Eyer; Vice-President, Mrs. Wilda Miller; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Martha Cole; Teacher, John F. Davis.

PLEDGES

Many of our members are paying ahead on their pledges, especially if they are to be absent during the summer. We appreciate this cooperation. Thank you.

THOSE WHO ARE ILL

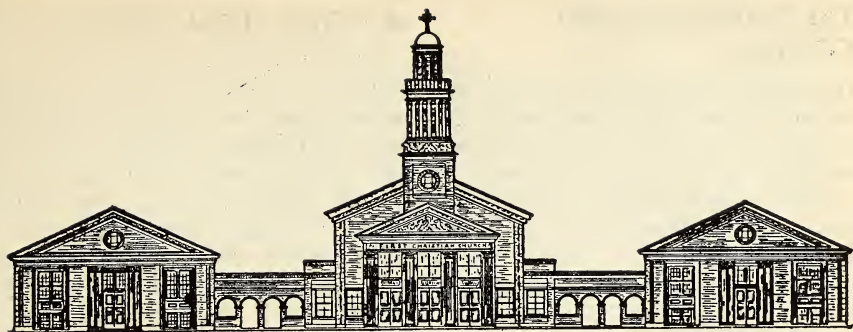
Mrs. Paul Parsons is ill at home. Mrs. Flora Virts had a slight accident but is improving. Robert E. Clipp and Chester L. Follis have undergone operations and are getting along as well as may be expected. Let us remember these friends in our prayers.

WOMEN'S COUNCIL

Picture of the Woman's Council will be taken Sunday, June 30th. Every woman should mark that morning for the church. This will appear in 75th Anniversary Book.

100 WORLD CALLS

We now have over 100 World Call subscribers. Is your subscription in? If not get in touch with Mrs. H. W. Sigrist.



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INDEPENDENCE AND INDEPENDENCE

Soon we shall celebrate Independence Day. It is a great date in our history as a nation. It illustrates the necessity for a certain kind of independence.

There is a wrong kind of independence. It is a fallacy, when one thinks he can be independent of the law or his responsibilities or his obligations to God and his community.

"I know what I want. Don't let anybody try to stop me." Such an attitude carries implications that the speaker may not himself realize. Sometimes it is used in reference to one's appetite. When it is used in regard to intoxicating liquors, the speaker tends to believe he can free himself from his social obligations. What drinking does to man and men has been cited from the earliest records of the Bible to the most recent records of the police and the divorce courts.

When such a statement is used in reference to the getting of money or property we have the attitude of the grafter, the legal crook and the bank robbers. When it is used by so-called statesmen, we have just what we have passed through, bloody and destructive wars.

Perhaps the implication of the whole thing is that, knowingly or unknowingly, the speaker is trying to usurp the place of God. The greatest incentive that can come to man is to try to know what God wants and to try to carry out His will. Let us not deceive ourselves, no man is really independent, or really free until he finds the independence and freedom that come inwardly as he tries to obey Almighty God. This is the secret of Christ's life. It is the reason for the Church. That is the reason the Church has a right to demand your loyalty, your support and your devotion.

COME TO CHURCH THIS SUNDAY!

MORNING WORSHIP 10:30 A. M.

The Church: Or Being a Part of God's PurposeSpeaker: Our Pastor

Every Sunday we are receiving people into the church. Members should make it their business and use every effort to let these people know they are most welcome in the church. THIS IS YOUR OBLIGATION.

Your Church Calls You to Worship Sunday

● THE CHURCH-RELATED COLLEGE

We must remember that we are living in the world's greatest country; therefore, we have the responsibility when it comes to serving humanity. It is at this point that the church-related college prepares its product in a definite manner to meet the challenge.

Look at the world, wartorn, bleeding, and hungry for righteousness, freedom, peace, and love. The indications are that the entire social order must be recreated so that every nation, every race, large or small, may have an opportunity for happiness in spite of his racial identity, whether it be Japanese, Chinese, Indian, Mexican, Caucasian, Negro, or any other racial group.

The time has come when America must help bind up the world's wounds, feed its hungry children, purge its hate, and help to support an army of peace, righteousness, and justice.

The best recruiting station for such an army is the church-related college. We must depend upon young people of informed intelligence and sensitive conscience to serve humanity.

— P. C. Washington,
Jarvis Christian College.

● NOTES FROM INDIA

Mr. and Mrs. L. Franklin White have been transferred to Takhatpur where they will work with Mr. and Mrs. Don McGavran in the Growing Church of the area. They are also announcing the birth of a son on December 22 in the Jackman Memorial Hospital at Bilaspur.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Smiley and daughter arrived in New York for furlough on November 22, and remained there for medical work for several weeks before going to their home in Nebraska.

Dr. and Mrs. Donald Rice arrived in India in time for the last sessions of the Mission Convention, then spent several days visiting the work in Bilaspur, Mungeli, Takhatpur, and Fosterpur, before going to Jubbulpore where they will make their home for some months while they begin language study.

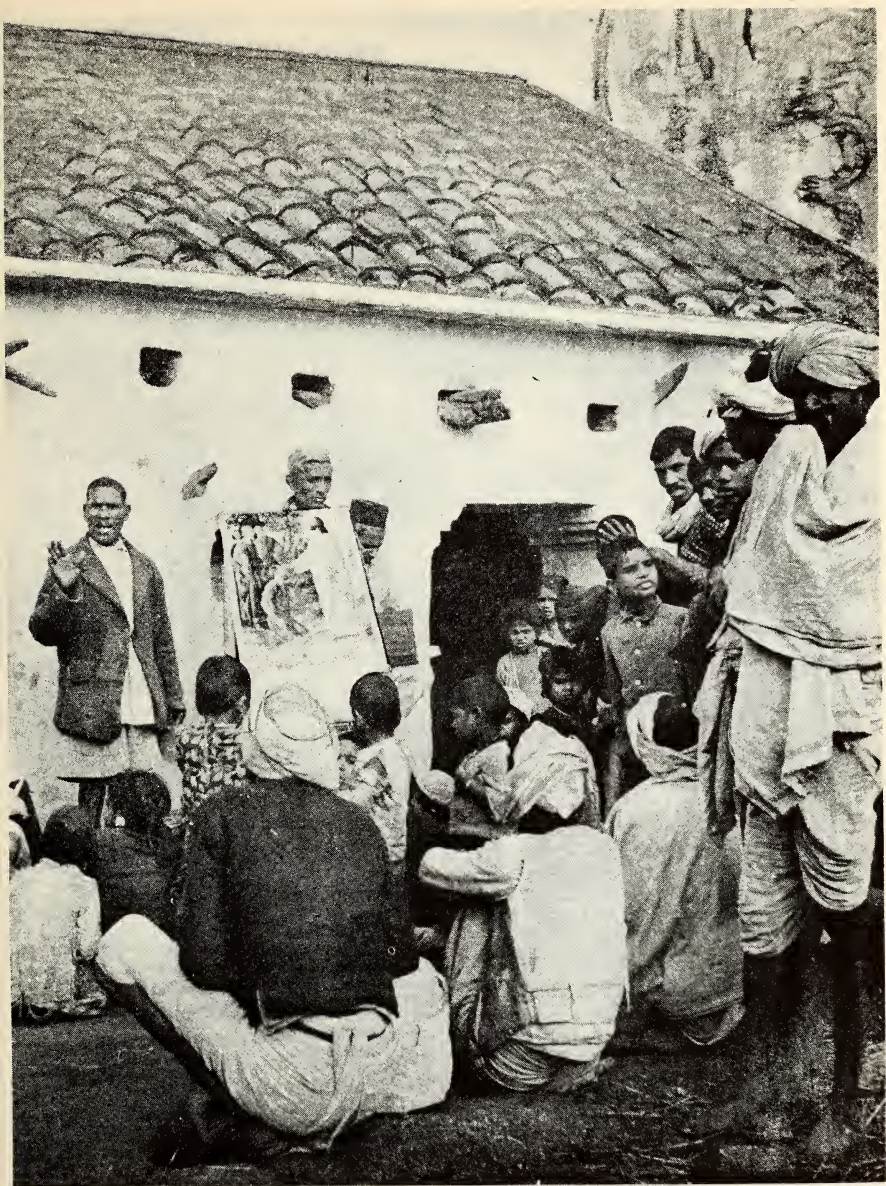
Mr. and Mrs. Homer Gambo with Dorothea and Wilhelmina Macdougall had arrived very shortly before the Convention, and soon afterward came Mr. and Mrs. Herman Reynolds, Dr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bonham, and Mr. and Mrs. William D. Hall. Since the Rices, the William Halls, the Keith Halls, and the Macdougalls are all new missionaries, the India Mission is greatly encouraged regarding the work of the future.



THE WORLD MISSIONARY ENTERPRISE

As Reported to the 1945 Year Book of Disciples of Christ

- 187 Missionaries served in nine countries outside the United States and Canada.
- 2,054 National workers.
- 1,402 Christian worship centers; 367 are organized churches.
- 532 Churches were self-supporting.
- 4,430 Were baptized during the year.
- 76,623 The total church membership abroad.
- 19,425 Were enrolled in 370 Bible schools.
- 369 Young people's societies were conducted, with a membership of 7,964.
- 317 Schools were conducted.
- 13,374 Students were enrolled.
- 241 Received ministerial training.
- 53 Schools were self-supporting.
- 583,418 Treatments were given in 11 hospitals and 20 dispensaries.
- \$467,342 Was received in offerings and fees in churches, schools, and hospitals.



*"We Declare Unto You The
Glad Tidings Of The Promise"*

—Acts 13:32.

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HONORED!

Our own Miss Harriet Trease was recently made Grand Guardian of Job's Daughters for the state of Indiana. We rejoice in this honor which has come to one of our members.

REAL SUCCESS

The Vacation Church School was a real success. We owe this to Mrs. Delmas Young and her corps of fine teachers and workers. Twenty - nine families were represented in the children that attended. The school was composed of 28 children from Beginners through the Juniors. The final evening brought out a good crowd of parents. Our children gave a fine exhibition and shared a good program.

WEDDING BELLS

Miss Donna Jean Clendenen became the bride of Hubert Horshman in the Victory Chapel last Saturday. Mrs. Horshman is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Clendenen.

Last Saturday at sixty thirty p.m. Mrs. Cora Mildred Moser became the bride of Mr. Charles McKinney.

WORLD CALL

Subscriptions continue to come in for World Call. Get your subscription in by this Sunday, June 30th, if possible. See Mrs. H. W. Sigrist or leave your subscription at the Church Office.

LOYAL REAPERS

The Loyal Reapers Class will have a dinner meeting at the home of Mrs. Goldie Kimble, 1241 W. Branning Ave., Sunday, June 30th, at 12:30. Members please bring table service and a covered dish. Meat, rolls and drink will be served by the committee. Immediately following the dinner, Miss Treva Marshall will speak on her work in India. She will also have a display of her curios.

AMONG OUR SICK

Miss Margaret Smelser underwent a tonsil operation last Monday.

Mrs. John Schaphorst is a patient in the Lutheran Hospital.

Chester Follis is coming along according to schedule after a rather painful operation.

Robbin Miller, the young son of Glenn Miller, is recovering from a severely infected thumb. This forced Robbin out of the Vacation Church School.

Donna Leversee has recovered from an illness and fever which confined her to her bed for awhile. Donna is the daughter of our assistant Superintendent.

Mrs. Harold Roberts was unable to teach in the Vacation Church School because of the illness of her children, which also prevented them from attending the school.

WOMAN'S COUNCIL

The RUTH Group will have a Sunset Meeting at the home of Mrs. Willis Van Alstine, R. No. 6, Tuesday, July 2nd, at 4:00 p.m. Mrs. Frank Frame is in charge of devotions.

The ESTHER Group will meet with Mrs. Howard Horn, 1810 Third St., Wednesday, July 3rd.

The RACHEL Group will meet with Mrs. J. H. Whitbey, R. No. 3, Johnson Rd., Tuesday, July 2nd.

The NAOMI Group will meet July 17. The DORCAS Group will meet July 11th.

The MARTHA Group will meet with Mrs. Edward Kirby, 2650 Fox Avenue, Wednesday, July 3rd. Mrs. Ray Woodhull is in charge of the program.

SYMPATHY

Dr. Ora Blackburn, brother of Mrs. Abbott, former director of our choir, passed away at Harlan. Our Minister officiated at the funeral on Wednesday at Harlan.



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IMPORTANT NOTICE!

Morning Worship Will Begin at 9:30 A.M. The Lord's Supper Will be Celebrated. At 10:40—the church will go to the various classes for study. These will adjourn at 11:20 A.M.

Our great Master Fan in the basement circulated cool air through the sanctuary last Sunday. This will operate again this Sunday.

Be in God's house on each Lord's Day this summer.

Morning Sermon: "What Lies Ahead"Minister

Our pastor will occupy the pulpit this Sunday. Bring a guest with you, and enjoy the inspiration and fellowship of our services.

ORDINATION SERVICE 4:00 P.M.

At four o'clock, Joseph Bernard Fitch will be ordained by this Church to the Christian Ministry. Rev. Fitch will preach at this service.

Mr. Fitch has recently received the B.D. degree which was conferred on him at the College of the Bible in Lexington, Kentucky. He also has an A.B. degree from Transylvania University. During his work as a student he served as student pastor. His last charge was at Bardstown, Kentucky. The church under his ministry experienced a period of prosperity. Many new members were received. The church was reorganized in its various departments on a functional basis, and the income of the church was greatly increased.

At the present time Mr. Fitch is doing Clinical Study in counselling in a hospital in Louisville. This study is sponsored by the Council of Protestant Seminaries in the United States.

Mr. Fitch is one of our own boys, having grown to maturity in this community going through the grade and high schools of our city.

Several out of town guests will be present at this service. Two elders and one deacon will make the trip from Bardstown. Rev. Cameron will come from Ohio and share in the service.

RECEPTION

Following the ordination a reception will be held in the social rooms for friends of Mr. Fitch.

● Compassion

Faculty and students of Hazel Green Academy, Hazel Green, Kentucky, recently gave \$80.00 for European relief as a part of the observance of the Week of Compassion. The group also made available a Jersey male to be sent through the Brethren Service Committee as a part of the program to increase the cattle herds of Europe.



● Cooperation in Home Missions

Interdenominational cooperation in the home missions task during the postwar era is stressed in a statement of principles adopted by nearly 200 representatives of forty home missions boards and societies at the annual meeting of the Home Missions Council of North America.

The 12-point statement calls for new efforts in interdenominational cooperation; approaches to the government and other agencies on behalf of certain groups of people who are the primary responsibility of home missions; efforts toward better race relations; definite steps taken to remove conditions which foster continuous mobility of populations; training of Christian leaders in the problems of labor and management; support of united projects now going forward among agricultural migrants, sharecroppers, Indians, etc.; a program of public relations which will commend the attention of the nation to the missionary enterprise.



● Beginning a Church

"It is such a joy to a missionary to have the privilege of watching a group of people grow in the abundant life. And that joy has been mine during the past year and a half as Sunday after Sunday I have gone to Los Felix, a rural community in Mexico . . .

"The ranch is a small one, with less

than one hundred people, but they are anxious to get an education for their children . . . The community asked the government for a parcel of land and was given eight hectares (20 acres) for the school. Recently the men have been working hard clearing it and getting it ready to plant next year. They have adobes made for the building; with the sale of the corn from this land they can buy the lumber and then build their schoolhouse. The government will then send them a teacher . . .

"They are beginning to talk about a building for their church services. By the time the school is finished, they will be ready to begin the adobes for the church. The Sunday school and communion services are held in the hallway of Trini's and Miguel's house, and we are surely welcome there, but it will be lovely to have a place dedicated to the Lord."

—Ruth Leslie,
Missionary to Mexico.



● A Faithful Servant

The death of Mr. T. B. Frost on January 5 this year marks the close of a long life of service in home missions.

After completing his education at Southern Christian Institute in 1896 he was employed as the school's gardener. In 1912 he was sent to Hawkins, Texas, to break ground for the new Negro school of Disciples of Christ, to be known as Jarvis Christian College.

Again a few years later he was called to break ground for another home missions institution, this time Central Christian Institute, Shepherdsville, Kentucky. When the United Society withdrew from that field, Mr. Frost returned to Southern Christian Institute and served as farm superintendent until his retirement in 1939. Since that time he has lived on his farm near Hawkins, Texas.

Mr. Frost was one of the faithful servants of the home missions enterprise during more than forty years.



Come Unto Me

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CARRY-IN DINNER

A dinner honoring Brother Fitch, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Fitch, active members of our church, will be given at six o'clock. A program consisting of responses from various members of the church and visitors will be given.

THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CHURCH IS CORDIALLY INVITED TO THESE SERVICES AND TO THE DINNER.

ELDERS FOR JULY

July 7—B. W. Leversee, A. O. Schell
July 14—W. C. Birkhold, J. F. Riethmiller
July 21—P. H. Somers, Ray Barnett
July 28—Myron Cole, Dale Parkerson

DEACONS FOR JULY

Martin Kimble, Captain; R. H. Cole,
Leo Miller, Clay Orchard, Grant T. Mun-
son, Delmas Young, Joe W. Clark,
Dempsey Weaver.

If it is impossible for you to serve,
please CALL your chairman.

WOMAN'S COUNCIL

The Esther Group of the Council will
meet with Mrs. Howard Horn, 1810 Third
St., Wednesday, July 10th.

The Evening Guild will have a picnic
supper in Memorial Park, Monday, July
8th, at 6:30, followed by the regular
business meeting. Mrs. Robert T. Beck
in charge of the program.

CONGRATULATIONS

A son has been born to Mr. and Mrs.
Kenneth Schell, 215 Dalman St. This
makes Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Schell proud
grandparents, and Mr. and Mrs. O. G.
Schell, proud great-grandparents.

NOMINATIONS

Half our church year has gone. Do
you know those who should be officers.
Send their names into the office. One-
third of our Official Board goes off each
year and cannot be re-elected until
after the expiration of one year. Dear
member, the church is your church. It
is your duty to see that proper names
are submitted to the nomination com-
mittee for consideration. Now is the
time to begin for next year.

CORRECTION

There were 29 families represented,
and 50 children enrolled in the Vac-
ation Bible School.

HONOR ROLL

Honor Roll consists of the names of
those who have paid up their pledges
through June, 1946.

Rev. and Mrs. R. T. Beck
Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Anders
Martha Jeannette Beck
Mrs. Alene Bedford
Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Baker
Mrs. Jeannette Barbier
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Barnett
Mrs. Mary Barnett
Mr. and Mrs. J. Z. Berlein
Miss Mildred Bingham
Mrs. Estella Binkley
Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Birkhold
Mrs. H. J. Bishop
Mrs. Mary Braden
Mrs. C. Branstrator
Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Brickley
Miss Alma Brown
Jack Bruce Brickley
Mrs. Stella Burkhalter
Ronald Barnett
Robert Barnett
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Badders
Mrs. Emme Carles
Mrs. Wm. Coblentz
Mr. and Mrs. Myron Cole
Miss Emma Crabill
Mr. and Mrs. V. Cramer
Mrs. C. E. Cremer
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Crouse
Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Dalton
Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Davis
Mrs. Rhoda Depotty
Mrs. Ella Diss

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REMEMBER

Church Worship 9:30 A.M.

Church School Classes 10:40 A.M.

Dismissal from all Services 11:20 A.M.

STAY THROUGH FROM 9:30 to 11:15 A.M.

Our Members have responded most cordially to our new time schedule. Large crowd assembled last Sunday. **Our large ventilating fan**, that changes the air every seven minutes, performed most acceptably.

We appreciate the large number that were at the services on time Sunday.

KEEP UP THE FINE START WE HAVE MADE IN SUNDAY ATTENDANCE THIS SUMMER.

Inspirational Music

Reverent atmosphere throughout our services.

Sermon: "A Cure For Our Hurts!" Preacher: Our Pastor

DO NOT MISS THESE SERMONS OUR MINISTER IS GIVING US. MANY ARE SPEAKING OF THEM. BRING A FRIEND WITH YOU.

This Sunday Elders will be at the door to greet you as you enter.

Mr. Myron Cole is chairman of our Board of Elders.

THOUGHTS ON BEING SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS OLD

In another part of our paper will appear the names of those who make up our General Committee for our Anniversary Celebration.

How should we think of the Future? Can we do greater things in our Church.

In 2 1/2 years we have received 259 new members—59 since last March 31st. More are coming.

IS IT POSSIBLE TO HAVE A MODERN PLANT?

To a new church building the church is committed. How efficient will it be? Many are saying, "When we build for God, let it be our best." At the last meeting of the Official Board, the Expansion Committee was requested to bring in workable plans for the first meeting in September.

THE EXPANSION COMMITTEE has been spending much time in thought and in exploring our possibilities.

A church that can receive, without a revival or planned meetings, (regularly in 3 months, Sunday after Sunday) 59 new adult members and can raise in one year for local work and missionary effort \$24,000, must plan for a great future. This we have done with less than nine hundred members. **WE MUST LOOK FORWARD TO A CHURCH OF 2,500 active members.**

**THINK THIS OVER AS YOU DREAM, AS YOU PLAN, AS YOU PRAY
FOR THE CHURCH OF TOMORROW.**

● FIRST IMPRESSIONS

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Hall

All our impressions of the inconveniences of travel at home paled into insignificance as we boarded an Indian train. The train was slow, the track rough, and the delays frequent. Once the train stopped for no other apparent reason than for a man to pick a sample of something growing in an adjoining field.

When we arrived in India we were impressed with the brown color of the landscape. The fields had been burned by the heat of the sun and all was drab looking. We wondered how anything could grow. Today we see a different India — beautiful and green. The monsoons have brought everything to life.

We had heard much about India's dirt, disease, and poverty. But nothing we heard really prepared us for India. Millions have no thought of germs. I was out the other day and passed some Hindu people camped by a lake covered with a green scum, but this didn't bother a woman who wanted a drink. She brushed the scum back and dipped up a drink.

The people are so very poor. However, we have found them very friendly and likeable. Today we see more clearly their great need of Christ and our hearts are warmed at the thought of the message we have come to give to them.

● ADULT RESPONSIBILITY

"I sincerely believe that if America is to remain devoted to the fundamentals of Christian living, more adults must assume their responsibility in bringing our young people closer to the church. Youths too young to vote accounted for 21.4 per cent of the arrests last year. Unless a concerted effort is made through the media of the church and the home, these same delinquents may be the hardened criminals of tomorrow," says J. Edgar Hoover, director of the F. B. I.

● CALL THE DOCTOR

Dr. A. G. Henderson, arriving in Congo last September, and being the only doctor in the whole field, rendered his first medical service to the Mission by caring for an epidemic of measles among the children of the students in Congo Christian Institute.



● REPORT FROM NANKING

Dr. M. Searle Bates, reaching Nanking on October 12 from West China — the very earliest transportation he could wangle — has been busy recovering mission property from the forces occupying it, and also looking up furniture and other materials which has "strayed" from homes and school campuses.

Specifically, he reports:

"The University of Nanking losses are heavy in laboratory supplies and some types of science equipment; in records, office supplies, and building materials; in most locks, all screens, and much glass; in hospital supplies of some types; in the departure of every mulberry tree from inside and outside the city, and the cold storage plant for silkworm eggs . . . Practically all personal property of staff, including furniture, was removed by the Japanese and by puppets . . .

"Ginling College, taken in 1942 as Japanese Local Garrison Headquarters, lost every bit of science equipment, most of their books, most furniture. (Nanking Theological) Seminary was stripped clean.

"Our own house has been miraculously protected by a French lady who is legally Swiss, and represents Swiss missionary societies . . . It's a wonderful experience, and an almost unique one in Nanking, to have a large percentage of the professional equipment that we possessed in 1937. It was a great boon, for instance, to have on hand a stock of Testaments, in this capital city where you can't buy one, when a group of college students asked the other day for a Bible class."

God So Loved The World



"Who shall separate us
From the love of Christ?

Shall tribulation,
Or distress,
Or persecution,
Or famine,
Or nakedness,
Or peril,
Or sword?

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Nay,
In all these things
We are more than conquerors
Through Him that loved us.
For I am persuaded that . . .
Neither things present
Nor things to come . . .
Shall be able to separate us
From the love of God,
Which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

—Romans 8:35-39.

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LOOK AT OUR FINANCES

For one year ending June 30th, we received through the church treasurer \$20,036.99. Our Women's Council received near \$2,000.00. Our Church School around \$800. Other receipts in other organizations would put the total receipts around \$24,000.

75TH ANNIVERSARY — GENERAL COMMITTEE

Rev. Robert T. Beck, and A. O. Schell, Co-chairmen; Chairman Program Committee, Owen Vaught; Speakers, Alexander M. Campbell; Banquet, Charles D. Dilts; Social, Mrs. John Davis; Decorations, Mrs. A. O. Schell; Children's Program, Mrs. Arthur Davis; Reception, Walter C. Birkhold; Publicity, Henry M. Flowers; Finance, John F. Davis; Secretary, Mrs. Owen Vaught.

ILLNESS

Mrs. Ray Barnett is in Lutheran Hospital, having recently undergone an appendectomy.

Mrs. Arthur Davis is ill, at her home, 1101 W. Packard Ave.

Warren, LaTrease Ann, and David Munson, children of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Munson, have been confined to their home with Chicken Pox.

NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF W.C.T.U.

Mrs. D. Leigh Colvin, National President of the W.C.T.U., will speak at 7:45 p.m. **July 19th**, at the First Methodist Church, East Wayne and Lafayette Sts. Young people are also urged to hear this outstanding speaker who will discuss the liquor problem of today.

THEY WILL GOD FROM OUR CHURCH

As we rejoice with Brother Joseph B. Fitch, we are further encouraged by the news we hear of our Miss Ella Dyer, studying in Butler University for religious work; also, Brother Thomas Hirschy who has been accepted at Hiram College for preliminary studies toward becoming an ordained minister. **THIS SHOULD INSPIRE EVERY MEMBER OF THIS CHURCH** and deepen the meaning of our prayers, as we pray for God's Kingdom to come and His will to be done. God bless our fine young people.

PROGRESSIVE BIBLE CLASS

This is a correction . . . The Progressive Class Lake Party, which was scheduled for **July 14** has been changed to Sunday, **July 28th**.

BEST WISHES

Our Best Wishes, with our prayers, go with Brother Joseph Bernard Fitch, our first young man to have been formally ordained in our church.

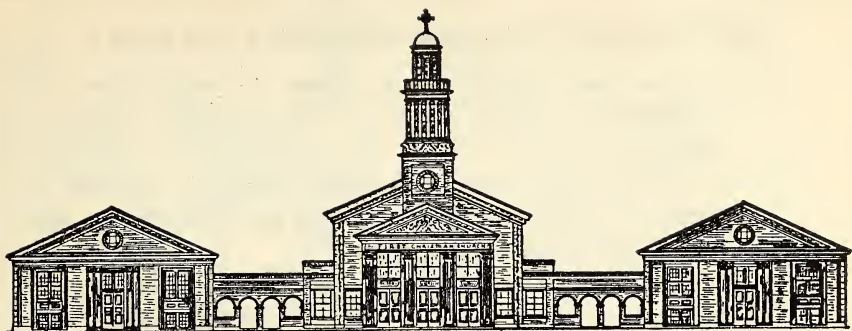
We bespeak for Brother Fitch a great life of usefulness and a great ministry of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. May God bless Rev. and Mrs. Fitch and their dear children.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Woman's Bible Class voted to raise funds toward the purchase of a hot water heater for our Living Link Missionary, Paul C. Kepple, in Mexico. Anyone wishing to contribute toward this fund please see Mrs. C. F. Durfee or any member of the Class within the next few weeks.

HONOR COLL (Continued)

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Dilts
Miss Emma Dorris
Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Durfee
Mr. and Mrs. A. Egly
Mrs. Henry Ehle
Mr. and Mrs. Don Eyer
Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Fitch
The Fitch Brothers
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Flowers
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Frame
Mr. and Mrs. George Frost
Mrs. Nettie Funk
Mr. and Mrs. E. Fusselman
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Fuchshuber
Janice Fuchshuber
Bonnie Fusselman
Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Gaskill
Mrs. Edwin Geerken
Miss Flora Gilmore
Miss Phyllis Glass
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CAN YOU REMEMBER?

MORNING WORSHIP 9:30 A.M.

CLASSES ASSEMBLE 10:40

Sermon Subject: **What Stands In Your Way?**

Preacher: Our Minister

We are having crowds for the summertime. It is so cool and pleasant in church. The air is changed every few minutes. It is inspiring to worship God in the cool of the morning.

More come on time this Sunday. This is appreciated. Our congregation is reverent. This speaks much. Our people are friendly. This brings strength to everyone. More and more visitors are attending our services. Many are speaking of the sermons our pastor is giving this summer.

WHEN WE THINK OF SACRIFICE

"I made a sacrifice to come to church today." A chance remark. But did we really make a sacrifice. Christians should. The center of our Christian faith is expressed in terms of sacrifice, "He gave His Life for us."

Without sacrifice the Christian religion has little meaning. When people really make sacrifices for their Church, the Church then becomes effective. If the church is losing its effectiveness, it is because the members thereof are making few if any sacrifices. When the followers of Christ lose their eagerness, some even a willingness, the sacrifice, then decadence sets in. Without sacrifice we cannot truly be Christians.

Our finances are prospering. But no one, so far as we have learned, has made any real sacrifice, have denied themselves any essential need. Have any of you who read this made a sacrifice for Christ and His church?

"Our church building does not represent our plea for Christian living." Perhaps this is more than a chance remark. Perhaps this was said with a hurt in the heart because we so inadequately represent the Cause of Christ by the house which was dedicated to HIM. I believe it does.

We are willing to make sacrifices? If we build adequately for Christ and His Church. Sacrifices will be made. **Who will make them? The answer is easy.** The way is hard but glorious. **The sacrifice will be made by those who love Christ and His Church.**

Your Church Calls You to Worship Sunday

CHRISTIAN ACTION ON FOUR FRONTS FOR PEACE

1. **The Inner Front.** Let us seek to cleanse our hearts of the evil contaminations of war, and pray God to renew a right spirit within us.
2. **The Church Front.** Let us seek unity of effort, by all men of goodwill, at home and abroad, in order that their influence may accomplish the task that lies ahead.
3. **The Peace Treaty Front.** Let us seek peace treaties which embody principles of justice and which will promote the general welfare.
4. **The United Nations Front.** Let us seek that the United Nations Organization develop its curative and creative functions so that, through common effort against the common threats to mankind, the peoples of the world may find fellowship.

—Commission on a Just and Durable Peace

NEW STATIONS IN CONGO

Virgil A. Sly

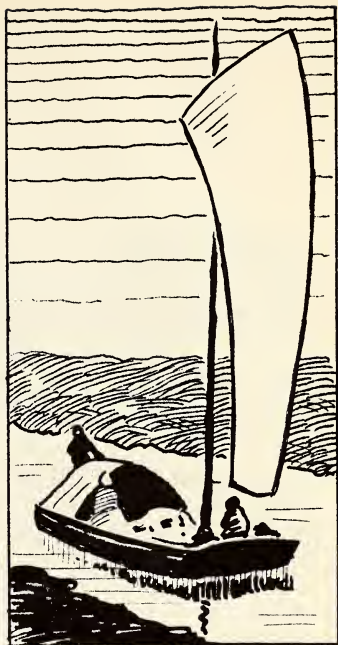
• **Bosobele** — This new station, where Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Edwards are already living in temporary quarters while other buildings are under construction, is located on the Ngiri River and has been attached to our Bolenge work. Some of the finest graduates of Congo Christian Institute have gone into this area and a thriving church and a good school system have been established.

In the lower Ngiri area we have 82 churches and schools — four central schools — and 135 teachers and evangelists. The population is about 71,000.

Ifuma — While Bosobele is north of the Bolenge station, Ifumo is six days beyond Lotumbe, which is our station farthest to the south in Belgian Congo. Ifumo is on the upper Momboyoy River. Here we have been working for many years, sending graduates from the station schools at Lotumbe and from Congo Christian Institute, and among the population of about 30,000 in 218 villages, we have 9,647 baptized Christians. So it is easily seen we have a fine church group built up.

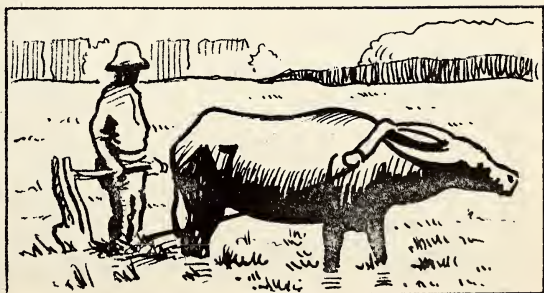
Missionaries have not yet been settled at Ifumo but it is hoped that soon the personnel of the Mission will be such that at least one family can be located there. The pastor at Ifumo, the elders of the church, and the evangelists in the village of the area are insistent that missionaries be sent to them just as soon as possible.

"The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light."



*"God that made the
world and all things*

*. . . . hath made of one
blood all nations of men."*



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TODAY

Today is your day and mine; the day we have; the day in which we play our part. What our part may signify in the great whole we may not understand; but we are here to play it, and now is our time. This we know: It is part of love not cynicism. It is for us to express love in terms of human helpfulness. This we know, for we have learned from sad experience that any other course of life leads toward decay and waste.

—David Starr Jordan.

GROUP PICTURES

These pictures will be on display in the East Vestibule of the Church next Sunday.

Prices of Prints: 1 Print, \$1.00
 2 Prints, 1.75
 Additional Prints, .75

Please place your order with the head of the Organization shown in the desired picture, or the Church Secretary, or with the Treasurer, or any Church School Teacher.

BASEBALL

The First Christian Church team won 8 to 5 over the First Brethren team, Wednesday evening, July 9th. The team also won 5 to 2 over the Emanuel Baptist team, Friday evening, July 12th.

HONOR ROLL (Continued)

Mr. and Mrs. N. Gorham
Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Harris
Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Haddox
Miss Mildred Hartman
Mrs. Anna Hartshorn
Miss Mabel Haynes
Miss Pearl Heidecker
Mr. and Mrs. M. Heller
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hilbish
Mr. and Mrs. Dale Hiler
Mrs. Anna Hirschy
Thomas Hirschy
Mrs. Florence Hobbs
Mrs. David Hogg
Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Hopkins
Miss Mildred Hartman
Sally Hirschy
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Imbody
Mrs. Beverly Johnston
Miss Elsie Keith
Mr. and Mrs. M. Kimble
Mrs. Ella King
Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Kirby
Mrs. Vera Kiser

Mrs. Cora Kover
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Krall
Charles Krick
V. C. Knight
Mrs. Frances Knott
Mrs. Louise Lacy
Miss Beatrice Lehman
C. A. Lehneke
Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Leverse
Mrs. Emily Lowman
Mrs. J. A. Lynn
Mr. and Mrs. J. J. McCarel
Mrs. Daisy McInTyre
Mrs. C. R. McMaken
Miss Lulu Michael
Mrs. Beatrice Michael
Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Miller
Mrs. Jessie and Leah Miller
Mrs. Ruby Miller
Mr. and Mrs. William Moffitt
Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Morkoetter
Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Morrical
Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Moser
Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Munson
Miss Dorothy Murphy
Mrs. Joseph Miller
Mrs. Nellie Newland
Mrs. Cora Nowells
Miss Dorothy Orchard
Miss Eracie Owen
Mrs. Margaret Owen
Gail Parsons
Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Palmer
Mrs. Amanda Parks
Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Parsons
Mrs. Alpha Piercy
Mrs. Phillip Rehm
Mrs. Mallie Reidt
Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Rice
Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Rice
Mrs. Jessie Richwine
Mr. and Mrs. J. Fred Riethmiller
Mrs. F. H. Rogers
Miss Edna Saxon

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MORNING WORSHIP — 9:30 A. M.

Our Summer Congregations are inspiring. We enter the church quietly. Immediately we sense a reverence. **Some pause before looking about**, to face God in Prayer. Wise worshipper who does this!

Our organ music is beautiful. Our congregational singing rings genuinely of praise to God. Beautiful special music.

Then fellowship about His Table! Our prayers for forgiveness! Our Intercessions for others! Our meditations, as our pastor lifts our minds and hearts!

Those who experience it, know nothing can take the place of our being in church on these Sunday mornings, "with 'God bless you' in our hearts."

Sermon: — "ON BEING UP-TO-DATE".

Preacher: Our Pastor.

OUR CHURCH SCHOOL ASSEMBLES IN CLASSES 10:40 A. M.

Worship and Classes over at 11:15 A. M.

AN OPEN LETTER

DEAR CHURCH MEMBER:

We are going to form a conspiracy today, to pray while our pastor is preaching. Don't shut your eyes unless you wish to, but keep asking God to speak through the pastor's lips, and in our hearts.

It will be an exciting experiment. Remember, you are the church, and the pastor is your servant. Each of you is just as important in making a great service as he is. He can't do his best alone. Your prayer sets the spiritual atmosphere without which no sermon can be great. Together we can lift the pastor and the service to new heights. Miracles happen when a congregation makes this unanimous. It will not be unanimous unless it includes you.

You want to help our world out of its deep trouble but you can't do it alone. Christ must be able to work through you to make the world safe, and bring lasting peace. Praying together in this church today is one grand way in which we help Christ to give us vision and power to lift the world.

So pray inwardly every minute, and see what happens.

—Frank C. Laubach. — Selected.

Your Church Calls You to Worship Sunday

A PRAYER FOR WORLD VISION

Father of all mankind, throughout this day, and every day, help me to remember that a very real portion of Thy Kingdom has been placed in my keeping. Therefore, teach me to love Thee:

With all my mind — that I may think Thy thoughts after Thee, from dawn to dark, making beautiful and significant each decision of my daily living; help me to remove all prejudice and small-mindedness, O Lord;

With all my heart — that I may love those whom Thou lovest, feeling for even the most unlovable and difficult of Thy children Thine own everlasting mercy;

With all my soul — that I may seek fresh ways in which we can all be one in Jesus Christ, our Lord, praying for Thy divine power to surge through my commonplace routine from morning till night;

With all my strength — that I may work the works of Him who sent me, while it is day, seeking to channel through every act Thy devotion to the needs of both my neighbor and myself. Remind me from moment to moment that this is not optional, but the last command of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Quicken me and use me this day, for Thy name's sake. Amen.

● CONFERENCE IN CHINA

The Young People's Conference for China was held this year from August 22-26, with an enrollment of 37 of our young people. The same theme was used as in the United States, "Thy Paths Our Chosen Way."

On the closing Sunday morning, 14 young people accepted Christ.

Mr. Herbert Minard, now in West China with the YMCW but formerly on the staff of the Christian Board of Publication, and well known to conference groups in the States, was able to attend some of the sessions.



● A NOTE OF VICTORY

In Resistencia, Argentina, where a new work was established a little more than a year ago, two important days were celebrated this year.

First, was Decision Day in the Sunday school when 17 boys and girls responded to the call to follow Christ. The two younger sons of the pastor were among the number.

Second, was the visit of Dr. George P.

Howard, evangelist. This visit was made the motive for extensive promotion by the church. Six thousand handbills were distributed, 300 special invitations were sent to teachers, professors, doctors, lawyers, and other professional people of the city. Two large posters were put up in the downtown district; the daily paper carried a notice for three days and published two articles concerning Dr. Howard. Attendance the three nights he spoke was from 85 to 110, in addition to some 25 children.



Campus View at Southern Christian Institute,
Edwards, Mississippi

Follow with reverent steps the great example
Of Him whose holy work was doing good;
So shall the wide earth seem our Father's
temple
Each loving life a psalm of gratitude.

—JOHN GREENLEAF WHITTIER.



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Women's Council Group Picnic

The Groups will meet for a ONE o'clock picnic dinner at Sears Pavilion, Wednesday, July 31st. Bring picnic basket and table service and those using sugar, bring that also. Each group to bring rolls for its members.

Following the dinner the groups will hold their separate monthly business meetings. Mrs. Charles T. Paul will be a guest. Mrs. Niona Lehman will give devotions. All women of the church are invited, whether members of Groups or not.

HONOR ROLL (Continued)

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Schell
Carolyn Schell
Margaret Rose Schell....
Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Schell
Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Schlatter
Mr. and Mrs. K. Sefton
Miss Lora Sheline
Miss Lorea Sheline
Mrs. Mae Sheline
Miss Estella Shockey
Miss Ethel Shroyer
Miss Sarah Shroyer
Mr. and Mrs. Powell Simonton
Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Siples
Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Smith
Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Stevenson
Mr. P. H. Somers
Mrs. M. Teeters
Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Tharp
Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Tracey
Mr. and Mrs. J. Hugh Tracey
Mrs. Louise Ternet
Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Vernor
Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Vesey
Mrs. Flora Virts
Mr. and Mrs. Dempsey Weaver
Mrs. Bertha Welch
J. F. Wellman
Mrs. J. H. Whitbey
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Whitton
Mrs. C. W. Winfield
Miss N. F. Woodhull
Mr. and Mrs. C. Yoquelet
Mr. and Mrs. Delmas Young
Mr. and Mrs. Bret Young

Progressive Class Party

Progressive Class Lake Party will be July 28th at Pokagon State Park. Dinner will be at 1:00 P.M. Sunday School Class lesson will be taught at the . . . Bring FULL BASKET and SWIMMING SUITS. Life guards will be on duty.

SYMPATHY

Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Mrs. George Meyers, of Grover Hill, Ohio, in the loss of her brother, John Mell, who died Sunday, July 14th.

The sympathy of the church is extended to Mrs. Paul Parson and her daughter, Gail, in the death of Mrs. Katherine Epsom of Cadillac, Michigan, mother and grandmother. Mr. Parsons is a deacon in our church. Mrs. Parson arrived at the bedside of her mother shortly before her going.

AT BUTLER UNIVERSITY

Our pastor, Robert T. Beck, is delivering four lectures before the graduate School of Religion of Butler University on Tuesday and Friday of this week. His lectures will be on the general subject of Pastoral Counseling. He will deal with Premartial Counseling, the Pastor and the Sick, Family Counseling, Helping People Solve Their Problems.

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

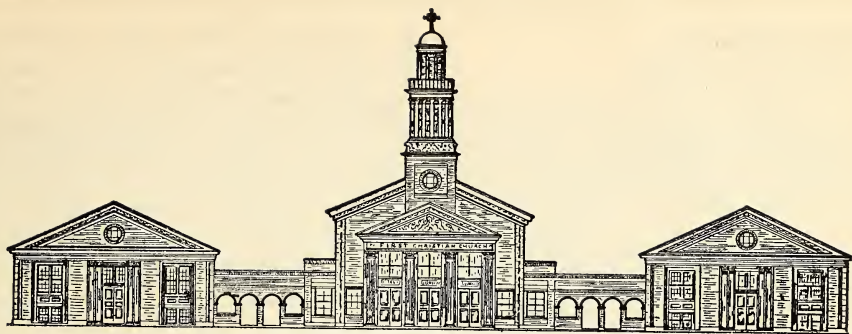
August 6-11th

Columbus, Ohio

Not far for an International Convention. Good roads, too, to Columbus. Why not drive down. Make up a party. Our own Alexander M. Campbell will speak at the Saturday night meeting. Great Communion Service on Sunday. IF YOU CAN, GO TO OUR CONVENTION.

NOTES

Mr. Glenn Miller is in the Lutheran Hospital, suffering from an infected finger.



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MORNING WORSHIP SUNDAY 9:30 A.M.

Sermon: Making One's Self a Winner

Preacher: Our Minister

Organ Prelude will begin at 9:25 A.M. Mrs. Robert M. Scott will be at the organ.

CHURCH SCHOOL CLASSES 10:40 A.M.

A CHURCH - GOING PEOPLE

Our people go to church:—Summer and Winter. But we are a church going people, we Christians, we Disciples of Christ. Of course, it might be said that church people are a church going people. But peculiarly Disciples of Christ go to church. Let us look at the reasons:

1. We make a lot of church membership. There is a deep philosophy for us in entering the church. We are baptized into "the name of Christ". We have placed much emphasis upon obedience, but even more emphasis on the Spirit of Christ.

2. We have definite reasons for coming to church each Sunday. We meet each Sunday about the Table of our Lord. We read in the account of His life, that He requested it. He has promised to be with us. We are His people and we feel guilty when we fail to respond to His invitation.

3. We believe that at church we can receive forgiveness for our sins when we ask our Lord's forgiveness. At church we hear the "still small voice" in our hearts, as we recall, "if ye love me ye will keep my commandments." We recall we have one commandment to "love one another."

4. We go to church because the work of the church rests upon us. We are all commissioned to do this work. So here we are at church every Sunday.

There are many other reasons—but this partially explains why when you come to the First Christian Church you find a church-going people.

WELCOME, GOD BLESS YOU!

In another part of our **Tidings** appears the names of recent consecrations to our church, new members to the household of our Beloved Community. We are grateful for these fine people who have become co-workers with us and with Christ, our Lord, in His Church. Dear people, you are most welcome. Make your life count in real measure for Christ and His Church, in reverent consecration and loyal support and regular attendance of worship and study.

● BROTHERHOOD "DOWN UNDER"

Mr. and Mrs. William D. Hall, en route to India as our missionaries, were held up several weeks in Australia where they were still but half way to their destination.

In writing of the differences in customs, money, etc., they find one place in which they feel very much at home. That is in the church. "You may not be conscious that there are churches of our brotherhood in Australia. There are at least a dozen in and around Sydney, and Melbourne has more than any other city in the world . . . We have spoken in several of the churches and have had many invitations into the homes of our people here. The churches are so much like our churches at home that we feel more at home in church than anywhere else. Our churches here are strong and enthusiastic. I wish that more people from our American churches could visit them. They carry on their own missionary program in India, the New Hebrides, and in South America."



● NEW MISSIONARIES

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Hall, new missionaries to India, announce the birth of a son, Keith Bevan Hall, on November 20 at the Jackman Memorial Hospital, Bilaspur.

Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Henderson, recently arrived in Belgian Congo, announce the birth of a son, Douglas Norman Henderson, on December 13, at Coquilhatville.



● FROM ARGENTINA

The membership of our new church in Resistencia, Argentina, is now 28. The pastor, Feliciano A. Sarli, reports that the spirit of unity and Christian fellowship is outstanding, with everyone trying to do his duty according to his ability, bringing new people to the meetings, contributing

to the support of the work, and taking charge of the preaching in his absence.

Outside the city, a new work has been begun in an area called "Tirol." Preaching is held twice a week. There is a small Sunday school of 15 children and 10 older people. A mile and a half from that location, and in the same area, another place for preaching has been offered.



● THE CHURCH AND ITS COLLEGE

I am the church college.

I am the oldest institution of higher learning in America. Before there had been state universities or other institutions of college rank, I had been founded. For three hundred years I have served my country well . . .

I stand for life's highest ideals. I search for truth, believing God's universe is fireproof and that I may light the torch of Truth anywhere. I lay emphasis upon genuine scholarship. My graduates are among the nation's greatest scholars.

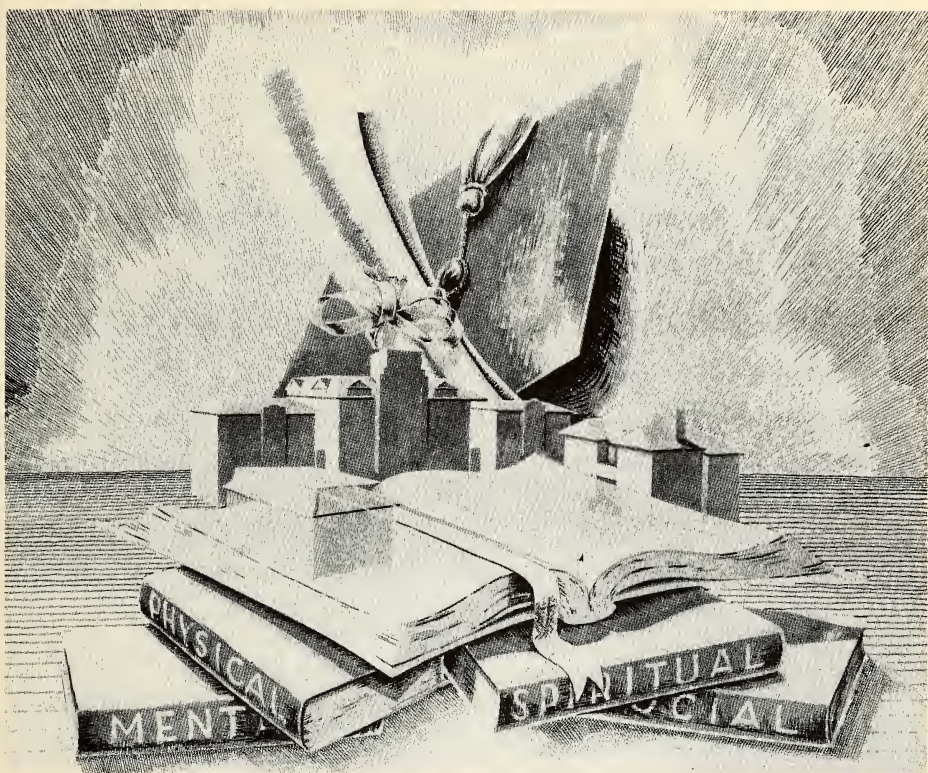
I believe in God. I am the student's expanding circle of adjustment. I open wide the portal to the unseen world of Spirit. My sons and daughters are men and women of vision and spiritual power.

I train for service. Through me, culture dominates the work of the world. I give leadership to the nation. From me have come presidents, governors, legislators, judges, educators, editors, in greater proportion than from any other source. Upon me the church depends for its preachers, its teachers, its missionaries — all its leaders . . .

I deserve your support. I receive from each student less than half the cost of what I give. From me the poor are not turned away. I still look to you, the members of the church, to make this possible.

I am the church college. I need your prayers and your gifts.

—From California Christian Collegian.



TRUE LEARNING

*If we have not learned that God's in man,
And man in God again,
That to love thy God is to love thy brother,
And to serve thy Lord is to serve each other—
Then Christ was born in vain!*

—Charlotte Perkins Gilman.

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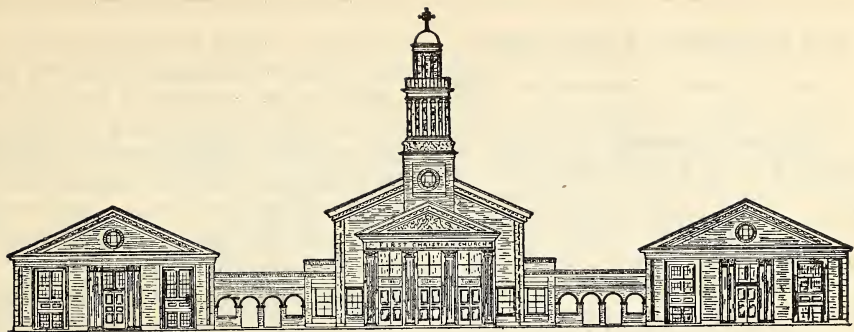
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| 5 | Hirschy, Sally Ann, 418 Mechanic St., 7, Ph. E-2621. | 3 | Working, Robt. E., Mrs. Gladys, 342 Dalgren, 3, Ph. A-66631. |
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IMPORTANT

Notices for the Tidings next week MUST be in the Office by MONDAY NOON. There will be no one in the Church Office next week, after Monday.

Wherefore also God highly exalted him, and gave unto him the name which is above every name; that in the name of Jesus every knee should bow.

—Philippians 2:9, 10.



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MORNING WORSHIP 9:30 A.M.

Organ Prelude — 9:25 A.M.

**Guest Preacher: Dr. Robert LaFollette, Professor of
Social Sciences of Ball State Teachers' College**

CHURCH SCHOOL 10:40 A.M.

When Should You See Your Minister?

When You are confronted by a serious problem. Being trained to counsel with people on their business and family problems, the minister as a spiritual leader, will bring impartial observations and opinions and with his prayers for Divine help will guide and help you face your difficulties.

When You or another is interested in the church. Your minister will meet young people or mature adults who are new or who have not united with the church. Speak appreciatively about your church, and tell your pastor about prospective members.

When There is Illness. Your pastor will appreciate a telephone call to the office when you, a loved one, or a friend is going to the hospital. When the illness is serious do not hesitate to call his home.

When There is Death. Inform your pastor at once when there is a death in the family. He can give counsel and comfort. It is quite proper to consult him before funeral arrangements are made.

When Important Decisions are to be made. If you are facing the decision about college, arranging a course of study—making a change in occupation, choosing a life work see your minister. The spiritual viewpoint of your pastor will help.

When you are thinking of Marriage. See your pastor if possible a month before the wedding day. You should have several conferences with him well in advance.

If you desire to become a Christian. It is indeed desirable to talk it over with your pastor to be. Your minister will be happy to talk to you about Christian living in the Church. Tell him of friends who want to know more about the Christian life.

See Your Minister about your spiritual problems. Many people are haunted by questions and fears. Your minister can help you overcome your difficulties.

Why not let your minister be among your best friends? He would like it. He is easy to reach.

—Suggested by a recent article.

● FOR EUROPEAN CHRISTIANS

To help European Protestantism "get on its feet" after the devastation of the war, American Protestant churches are raising a fund of \$19,000,000 to be expended through the Commission for World Council Service, a creation of the newly-formed World Council of Churches.

Of this total fund, \$10,000,000 is to help care for the physical emergency of the churches and the church people: feeding the hungry and clothing the naked, especially during this winter and until the next harvest. The other \$9,000,000 will be for housing pastors, congregations, and church organizations, mostly in temporary quarters. This will be used in Holland, Italy, France, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Greece, Norway, Finland, and Germany.

The Protestant churches of Great Britain, Canada, Sweden, Switzerland, and Australia are also assisting in this wide service to Europe's churches through giving comparable sums.

While we have had numerous reports on the destruction of churches and church property in other countries of Europe, only recently have we learned something of the facts concerning the German Evangelical Church (Lutheran). The figures are astounding. Totally destroyed are reported 428 churches and chapels, 404 parsonages, 559 parish houses and other buildings, and 192 hospitals, old people's homes, etc. "Heavily damaged" are an additional 771 churches, 514 parsonages, 600 other buildings, and 143 hospitals and homes.

The total of buildings listed as less heavily damaged is 5,313.

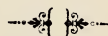
● AN EXPERIMENT SUCCEEDS

When Dr. George P. Howard of the Committee on Cooperation in Latin America returned recently from South America,

he wrote: "I have just returned from my second visit to Paraguay during the year. I went for the purpose of preaching at the very first Baccalaureate service ever held in that country. It was in honor of the graduating class of Colegio Internacional, the splendid mission school of Disciples of Christ. Most of the students are from Roman Catholic families. . . .

"This was a vesper service and we called it The Students' Angelus. In the opening moments of the service I explained its meaning and purpose. Two members of the graduating class had signified their intention of not being present — but they came. Every member of the class was present at this voluntary service.

"It was an impressive occasion, at least for the preacher. Two rows of graduates looked up to him. Across the aisle were two members of the Paraguayan cabinet — the Minister of Education and the Minister of Agriculture. This great mission school has been chosen by the Minister of Education as an experimental station for a complete reorganization of the educational system of Paraguay."

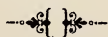


● SERVING THE MIGRANTS

Worship services, Sunday schools, a pastoral ministry, weekday church schools, child-care centers, school training, health education, leisure time activities, discussion groups for young people and adults, and training in Christian leadership are some of the programs provided for the migrant workers in the United States by the Home Missions Council of North America.

Cooperating in this service are national church bodies, local councils of churches, councils of church women, members of local churches, farmers and cannery, and other community organizations.

The Home Missions Council is celebrating this year twenty-five years of Christian service to agricultural migrants.



What doth the Lord require of thee?
Now! **FACE TO FACE**
with Humanity's
Distress and Destitution



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MARRIAGE BELLS

Patrick D. Quirk and Madonna Lou Ferguson, were united in marriage, August 3rd, 1946.

INVITATION TO THE CHURCH

The congregation is invited to the Wedding of Miss Mildred Bingham and Mr. Donald Miller to be held in the Church Sanctuary, Wednesday, August 14th at 7:00 P.M.

WELCOME HOME

Jack Blair is again back with us after service in the U. S. Navy. Jack was always active in our young people group and we are very happy to welcome him home.

BAPTIZED

Miss Virginia Ragan, Miss Margaret Powers and Miss Betty Ragan were baptized in a short baptismal service following the Church School last Sunday. We appreciate having these fine young people in our church. Sunday was Miss Virginia Ragan's birthday.

WELCOME

Miss Dora Weitz was received into the church Sunday. She comes to us from the Christian Church in Angola, Indiana. We give her a most cordial welcome.

WITH OUR SICK

Mr. Chester Follis, underwent another operation at the Lutheran Hospital on last Saturday. Hope is held out for the recovery of sight to his eyes. He has our every good wish.

Mrs. John Frame is confined again to her home on DeWald Street.

VISITING

Our minister's wife and daughter are visiting Mrs. Beck's father, Mr. Charles B. Bromley, in New Haven, Connecticut.

HISTORY

All classes are requested to get their article for the church history to the Publication Committee at once.

PROGRESSIVE CLASS

The Progressive Class held its first annual Lake Party since gasoline rationing. The class met at Pokagon Park on Sunday, July 28th, when seventy-seven members of the class and visitors enjoyed a bountiful basket dinner at noon.

THE NEW CHURCH BUILDING FUND

One of our new members, a young lady, is giving five dollars per week to the church, \$1.50 of this has been designated for the new church building. This is the first pledge of which we know that has been specifically designated for this cause, which will soon be officially launched. This is food for thought for some of us older members.

EVENING GUILD

The Evening Guild will have a picnic meeting at Memorial Park Pavilion, Monday, August 12th at 6:30. Misses Ernie Owen, Lorea Sheline and Pearl Heidecker are in charge of arrangements. Miss Elaine Jones will be the leader and Miss Elsie Keith will give the Devotions.

PICTURES

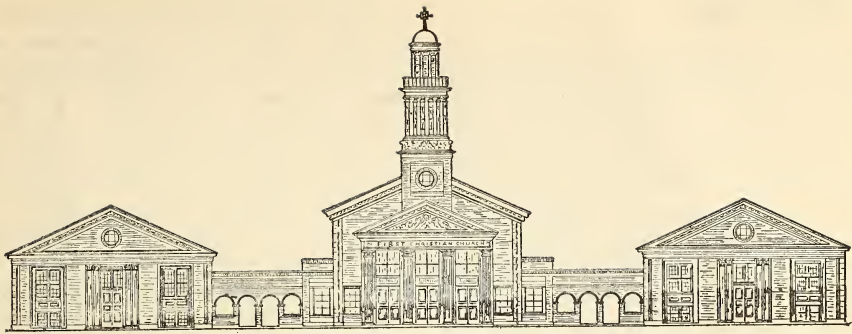
Any one desiring pictures of the various classes should make their selection and place their order at once. Order from your class officers. All officers should see that all orders are sent to Mr. John Davis. Pictures should be ordered by number only.

We act as though comfort and luxury were the chief requirements of life, when all we need to make us really happy is something to be enthusiastic about.

—Charles Kingsley.

The Lord hath done great things for us. Whereof we are glad.—Psalm 126:3.

And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.—



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THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

Hardly again in this generation can we have another convention like the one held in Columbus, Ohio, August 6-11. Many missionaries gave their experiences as Christians who had been in prison, who had undergone hardships "as good soldiers of the Cross". These were thrilling moments that revealed the great heart of our missionary work and workers.

The convention was indeed harmonious, inspiring. Great plans are under way. We left knowing we were a great people.

The new president, Dr. McCormick, is a former member of this church and prominent pastor of one of our large churches in Cleveland. Elected to vice-presidency was Mrs. R. A. Doan, former missionary to Japan. Dr. Hampton Adams, pastor of the Union Avenue Christian Church of St. Louis was elected president of the International Convention. This church had 35 delegates from St. Louis in the convention. For the first time, the International Convention is to have a full time executive secretary. Many of us believe that a wise choice was made in Dr. Gaines M. Cook, now secretary of our work in Ohio. He will begin his duties November 1st.

Our church has eight representatives at the convention. Mr. and Mrs. Owen Vaught, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dare, Mrs. Lynn Miller, Alexander Campbell, and our pastor. Mr. Campbell gave a thrilling message on laymen's night this last Saturday.

The convention will join with the World Convention which will be held in Buffalo, N. Y. next August. Begin now to plan a trip to this convention.

"STICKING ONE'S NECK OUT"

Courageous — Honorable

Too often we see people "shooting their faces off". On rarer occasions we see people "sticking their necks out". We take it our missionaries at the convention were sticking their necks out when they recounted their imprisonment and then dared to say there were Christians among their enemies. Yes, and that we ought to love our enemies if we are to be Christians. That took courage. We honor them.

Often we hear people expressing their hatred of the Jew, the Jap, the German, the Roman Catholic, they shoot their faces off, about labor unions, Communism, the British, the foreigners. That is easy. But it takes courage to do something about it, to clean the inside of the cup. To stick one's neck out in Christian living. The Quaker was sticking his neck out when he said "I don't see how one can be a Christian if he can't say that he loves Hitler". And then sat down

● GREETINGS FROM JAPANESE CHRISTIANS

The first civilians going to Japan after the close of hostilities were representatives of the church in the United States. They carried with them a letter from Dr. Robert M. Hopkins of The United Christian Missionary Society to Disciples of Christ in Japan. A reply has been received, written by Mr. Nobundo Oda, dean of the girls' school in Tokyo.

Mr. Oda writes particularly of the state of the work and the workers. Word had already been received that both the girls' school and the boys' school in Tokyo continued throughout the war, even if enrollment was curtailed. Mr. Oda reports that this year there are more than 500 students in the boys' school and 400 in the girls' school. This is about half the enrollment to the spring of 1944 when many people moved to the rural districts.

As to our churches, Mr. Oda reports that four were completely destroyed in the air raids. Also the kindergarten and parsonage at Koishikawa and the day nursery at Asakusa Institute were destroyed.

Four of our pastors lost all their personal property in air raids, two of these being pastors where the churches also were completely destroyed. However, all of our Japanese pastors are safe and are working.



● SERVICE MEN GIVE

Men in the armed services of the country, stationed in Puerto Rico, have given a total of \$1,450 for the establishment of a clinic on the McLean Conference Grounds.

The project is under the supervision of our missionaries since the Conference Grounds is a part of the property of our Mission, but will serve all Protestant groups on the Island.

Throughout the period of the war, McLean Conference Grounds has entertained numbers of service men.

● SURELY WE WILL SHARE

When fifty little children in one remote Chinese village are found stricken with gangrene solely because they lacked warm clothing, we get a vivid picture of China's tragic need today.

When we learn that scores of millions of men, women, and children in China are absolutely destitute as a result of the war, we cannot but feel that "victory" and "peace" will be empty words until we have brought at least the bare necessities of existence to those who fought so bravely in our cause for eight terrible years . . .

In what was occupied China, at least 13,000,000 people have already been found without adequate clothing or any means of subsistence. These were people overrun and enslaved by the invader who robbed them of everything they had . . .

We in America are blessed with plenty. Certainly we have no possible excuse for failing to share with our friends in China just a little of our good fortune.

—Charles Edison,
National Chairman
United China Relief.



● PEACE ON EARTH

The battle's o'er, the fighting's done

War's armaments so soon outgrown

On rising heaps are idly thrown.

Man's war-torn mind

Now seeks to find

That peace he thought he'd fought and won.

'Tis a quietness most dearly bought,

And man, stranger still to ways of peace

Scarce granting yet the war's surcease,
Needs pause to hear

And to draw near

That Child the shepherds and the wise-
man sought.

—Leta May Brown.



Our Prayer

*“Lord help us build a great church here!
Make of Thy house a restful place,
And fill it with Thy loving grace;
Hear within these humble walls
The needy soul who on Thee calls;
Grant to them Thy gracious care,
Those who heavy burdens bear.
Let us in numbers also grow,
And richly with Thy spirit glow;
Make us so large that pride and hate
And selfishness will find no place—
May those about us everywhere
Thy many blessings with us share.
Lord, grant us this . . . it is our prayer!”*

—Owen Sherrill.

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He stuck his neck out. But he was courageous. In a national convention of the Y. W. C. A. it took courage for a young woman to stick her neck out and say, "I don't see how one can be a Christian and not call the negro girl one's sister." I take it the Y. W. C. A. has lost a lot of money that went to other groups that were very careful. But in many places the Y. W. C. A. cafeteria is the only place where negro girls can eat where white girls eat.

One observes many who shoot their faces off, they talk glibly about adultery, fornication, drunkards, and they point a stiff, cold finger of accusation. Jesus certainly stuck his neck out when he said, "Let him who is without sin cast the first stone." He certainly stuck his neck out even further when he tried to help the woman caught in adultery and said, "I do not accuse you either, go sin no more." Our "Jim" Crain sticks his neck out. He is the conscience of the brotherhood about social injustice. We could name others. I reckon we won't build much of a Christian world, or we won't have a kind Christian fellowship unless more people will clean the inside of the cup, quit "shooting their faces off", and more and more stick their necks out for the clean, and the good and the understandingly kind way of living and acting.

GUEST SPEAKER

Rev. Virgil E. Havens, United Christian Missionary Society will be the Guest speaker Sunday morning, August 18th. Let us give him a fine welcome on next Sunday at 9:30.

CONGRATULATIONS

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Weist are the proud parents of a fine son, Bryant Roy, born August 8th.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Munson are the proud parents of a little daughter, born August 12th.

The mothers and babes are doing nicely. They have our sincere good wishes.

TENTH ANNUAL MEETING

At the Emily E. Flinn Home at Marion. August 25th at 2:00 P.M. This will be a meeting of all who are interested in the Home. Rev. McCaw will be the speaker. Keep this date open and plan an afternoon's drive to Marion. You will receive a cordial welcome.

DURING AUGUST

If you know of any item of interest, or illness, which should be reported in the Tidings, please call Mrs. Vaught, either at her home H-50094 or at the office E-2737.

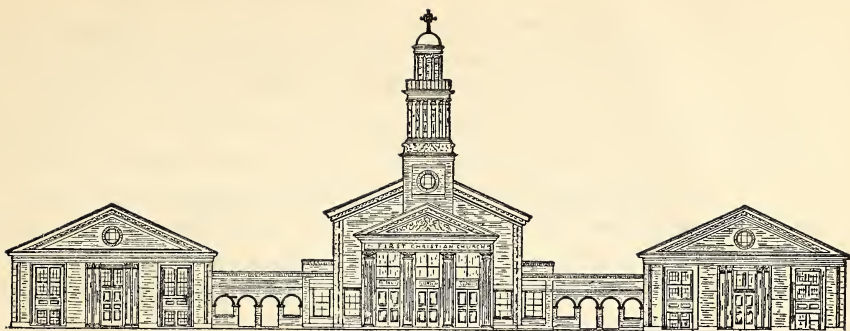
WEDDING BELLS

Ring for Donald W. Miller and Mildred Jean Bingham, Wednesday, August 14, at the Church. The new couple will reside at 2926 Euclid Avenue. Congratulations and best wishes.

URGE KIWANIS TO SUPPORT CHURCHES

Delegates attending Kiwanis International's 1944 Wartime Convention adopted a number of pertinent resolutions pertaining to the war and post-war periods. The following resolution was one of those adopted:

Be It Resolved, That we reaffirm our conviction that only with the help of Almighty God are we endowed with the power to accomplish those things which people in their own strength are unable to do. It is our belief that if all persons of good will humbly and fervently continue in prayer and petition to Almighty God, a more speedy and just victory will be assured. All Kiwanis clubs are urged to take appropriate action in support of the spiritual programs of the churches in their respective communities, with particular emphasis on prayer for the safety and success of those who are serving on the fighting fronts of the world.



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CHURCH SCHOOL 10:40

SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS OF CHRISTIAN ACHIEVEMENT

"Seventy-five Years of Christian Achievement" is the title of the Church history book that is being prepared as a part of our Diamond Jubilee Celebration. This book will contain pictures of the various church organizations and church school classes. It will also contain a history of our church and is the result of the efforts of many people, who have co-operated to get the necessary material together. It is a souvenir you will cherish.

Many folks have been asking how they may obtain a copy of this history, some have indicated a desire for several copies. Within the next few days you will receive an order blank through the mail, which will make it very easy for you to order as many copies as you desire. It is important that these order blanks be returned as soon as possible in order that we may know how many copies to prepare. All books ordered will be delivered about November first.

PLAN AHEAD

With the vacation season nearly over, it is necessary that all departments of the church review their plans for the fall season, and get them into operation, so that the full program of the church can be in full swing by the middle of September. The autumn season this year is of unusual importance because of our Seventy-fifth Anniversary and every officer and teacher carries a great responsibility in seeing that his part of the program is fully executed. This year has been one of the most successful in the history of the church. In the remaining months of this year let us make it a season of success that will never be forgotten.

Your Church Calls You to Worship Sunday

● THE HARD WAY

Monieka's 500 local pupils meet in four schools. All wives, children, and non-work students in years I and II fill the church and the school building from 6:00 to 9:00 in the morning. The pastor comes to give instruction to inquirers during the last class period for the women, and the boys remain after nine for their instruction.

By 9:30 the dormitory and working youths and others in the third year begin a three-hour session. Thus the afternoon is free for the fourth and fifth year work and for special classes, while the workers give two afternoons per week to Mission upkeep, and the others seek sustenance for themselves.

Until additional missionaries can be sent to Monieka, that is the best that can be done.

There are eighty boys in the dormitory, and twice as many, just as eager to enter, just as hungry, as worthy, and as well recommended, have to tighten their vine belts and hope for their time to come. If a married student is assured of \$10.00 worth of work during a school term, he brings a boy or two along to educate, usually a brother of himself or his wife. Many a yard has a new little hut to shelter sons of distant friends of the family. In Congo, all one's cousins are one's "very own brothers."

How they beg for any odd job to earn a penny to silence hunger pangs

— MRS. LILLIE B. HEDGES,
BELGIAN CONGO.



● CHINESE CO-OPS

Blanket-making for the Chinese army under the auspices of the Chinese Industrial Cooperatives employs some 20,000 women. They spin the yarn for the blankets in their own homes, and are supervised by the traveling supervisors from the cooperative's headquarters.

● MEETING THE NEED

Jarvis Christian College, Hawkins, Texas, established by Disciples of Christ in 1913 for the education of Negro young people, has followed a plan of student aid from its very beginning. Under this work plan, a student may work for a year and accumulate enough credit to care for expenses in the following year when class work is started.

Enrollment in the first year was 13; in this year it is approximately 135. As with other schools, there are very few men students although, as demobilization continues, it is hoped that many will enter for the second semester.

Jarvis Christian College is vitally interested in the education of young people who must become leaders in the fields of religion and missions, general education, and industry. Always striving to anticipate the requirements of its students, Jarvis is attempting to meet them through an ever-changing curriculum.

Along with a high type of academic training, which is very necessary for leadership, definite consideration must be given to practical projects along the line of agriculture and industries.



MY BIRTHRIGHT

Never shall I cheat another,
Seek the treasure of my brother;
God's rich store is full and free —
He has something there for me.

May no evil deeds and strife
Steal the birthright of my life;
Though my rest should be a stone,
Let me for my sins atone.

'Tis Thy will that I should be
Happy, radiant, spirit-free;
Through Thy Son the way I know,
Help me walk where He would go.

— JOSEPH B. HUNTER.

(Written after a study of the life of Jacob.)

*Let the words of my mouth,
and the meditation of
my heart, be acceptable
in Thy sight, O Lord,
my strength and my re-
deemer.*

—Psalm 19:14.



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CONSTANCY

The world is dark, my light is needed
so;

Let me be constant, everywhere I go;
There is too much of sorrow, gloom and
tears,
To little faith and hope, too many
fears.

God gave me faith that I might swing
on high
My lighted lamp, that other might not
die—

That others might believe in Him, nor
doubt

The grace of God. What if my light is
out?

When if when other turn for help to me,
I am so occupied with self I fail to
see

Another's need? What if my lamp is
dim,

And someone, needing God, should
turn from Him?

I should not want someone to miss the
way

Because my heart was faithless on
that day;

So, constant, brightly let my candle
glow;

The world is dark, my light is needed
so.

—Marjorie Allen Anderson

I WONDER

I wonder what the future holds
For you—of sorrow, joy, or pain—
Of honor, wealth, position, power,
Of glory, wisdom, fame?

Will this world better, brighter be?

Will nations find true peace?

Oh, may you live to see the day

When enmities shall cease!

—L. H.

The Rev. K. A. Hawkins will be the
guest speaker next Sunday morning
We all know Rev. Hawkins and he
should find a cordial welcome here.

BASIS OF TRUTH AND RIGHTEOUSNESS

The multiplication of laws is a sure
sign of degeneracy in a people. The
whole-hearted and intelligent accept-
ance of God as absolute ruler, and
obedience to His divine law of love
form the true basis of peace and right-
eousness.

—Paul H. Scherer.

CHANGING HUMAN NATURE

If human nature is unchangeable,
then there is no such thing as education
and all our efforts to educate are doom-
ed to failure. For the very meaning of
education is modification of native hu-
man nature in formation of those new
ways to thinking, of feeling, of desiring
and of believing that are foreign to
raw human nature.

—John Dewey.

OUR MEANEST HOUR

After winning the most costly victory
in history, a victory which gave us
world leadership, we have betrayed
those to whom we made promises and
those who trusted us: we have betrayed
our own dead; we have betrayed the
future. Instead of sowing the seeds of
mercy and compassion, of goodwill and
regeneration, we have allowed the
war-sown seeds of cruel, needless mis-
ery to take root unchecked. We have
invited everything that leads to fu-
ture war. These past ten months have
brought us to the lowest point in the
annals of our national history. It is our
meanest hour.

—A. Powell Davis in Gospel
Messenger.



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MORNING WORSHIP 9:30

GUEST SPEAKER

MR. F. B. RUF

CHURCH SCHOOL 10:40

Mr. F. B. Ruf, General Secretary of the Pontiac, Michigan, Y.M.C.A., will be our guest speaker next Sunday. Mr. Ruf was Religious Work Secretary of the Fort Wayne Y. M. C. A. for many years during which time he made many friends. His work with the local Y. M. C. A. was outstanding and will long be remembered.

CHOIR

Miss Majorie Sutton has been secured for the position of Choir Director. Miss Sutton received her B. M. Degree in Music at the St. Louis Institute of Music. Choir practice will be resumed Thursday, September 5th at 7:30 P.M. Choir members, please keep this date in mind and be present. We are expecting real progress under Miss Sutton's leadership.

CHURCH HISTORY

The various class histories must be completed and returned to Miss Ernie Owen Sunday. Unless these histories are all in the hands of the committee on Sept. first, they cannot be included in the history book. Be sure that your class history is in on time.

Your Church Calls You to Worship Sunday

● BREAD OF LIFE

Our rural work continues to challenge and beg for more workers and attention. In one small village where I visit, about thirty miles from the city, it was necessary to walk seven and a half miles one day last week when I was trying to arrange for some oxcarts to begin hauling stones for the foundation of the adobe house we are beginning to build.

Life is rather primitive in such villages and calls for much patience as the work has to go slowly, but we feel sure that whatever seed of the Gospel message may be firmly planted in the life of such a community will bear permanent fruit not only in the lives of the Christians so touched but in the total pattern of the national life that is so dependent on these numerous and small farming villages.

There is a crying need for bread in many places, but everywhere a hidden hunger for the bread of life.

—Hallie Strange,
San Luis Potosi, Mexico.



● THE MINISTER SERVES

With the end of the war and the reduction of the Army and the Navy, there will be left some 1800 Protestant chaplains in the Army, the Navy, and in the Veterans Administration. About 400 more will be serving in Protestant hospitals, in state mental hospitals, in penal and correctional institutions, and in community institutions.



● PROBLEMS FOR THE CHURCH

Whatever the future political status of Puerto Rico, there are serious social problems which must be faced by any government and by the institutions, such as the churches, which are interested in the future of the people here.

The basic problem is overpopulation and the economic situation. Related to these are the problems of malnutrition, health, sanitation, education, housing, delinquency, crime, and mendicancy.

Churches can help in the government program by providing pastors and social workers in new housing projects. The churches could also help by providing volunteer and paid personnel for recreational activities and other social work in the housing areas. There are few public playgrounds, libraries, and community centers.

Our churches can help by winning people from idleness and vice to Christian activity and character. Each church should be a community center as well as a place of worship and Christian education. Through teaching and demonstration, people can be helped to maintain cleaner homes and communities. Through schools and clinics they can have the help they need to become healthy, worthy citizens.

—Hugh J. Williams,
*Missionary to
Puerto Rico.*



● PRAYERS ANSWERED

At long last in Belgian Congo after four years of war experiences, Mrs. A. G. Henderson writes:

"Our first Sunday here was a memorable one. First of all was the morning service conducted by an African pastor, and in the afternoon a vesper service which Fred (Dr. Henderson) addressed through an interpreter.

"During the long siege of life in the prison camp, Fred had one day received the gift of a New Testament which had been donated voluntarily by this Bolenge church and sent through the Red Cross; and now here we were in flesh and blood.

"During the course of the meeting, it was mentioned how they had prayed for us constantly and now their prayers were answered. What a thrilling spiritual lesson for them and for us who are often of so little faith! Thanksgiving was the keynote of our inner emotions."



*Lead on, O King Eternal,
Till sin's fierce war shall cease.
And holiness shall whisper
The sweet Amen of peace;
For not with swords loud clashing,
Nor roll of stirring drums;
With deeds of love and mercy,
The heavenly kingdom comes.*

—Ernest W. Shurtleff.

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CHRISTIAN BUILDERS

The C.B.'s will not meet next Sunday,
September 1st.

WOMAN'S COUNCIL

MARTHA Group will meet with Mrs. W. L. Smith, 435 W. Williams St., Wednesday, September 4th at 2:00 P.M. Miss Emma Crabill, Assisting Hostess.

DORCAS Group will meet with Mrs. Arza Smith, 3113 Lillie St., Thursday, September 5th at 2:00 P.M.

RUTH Group will meet with Mrs. Frank Frame, 1130 Jackson St., Tuesday, September 3rd, at 2:00 p.m. Mrs. Fred Wilson will have the devotions.

RACHEL Group will meet with Mrs. Margaret Owen, 1323 E. Pontiac, Tuesday, September 3rd, at 2:00 p.m. Mrs. Leo Blair will have devotions and Mrs. H. W. Sigrist is in charge of the program.

ESTHER Group will meet with Mrs. A. L. Haddox, 1117 Sinclair St., Wednesday, September 4th, at 2:00 p.m.

NAOMI Group have postponed their meeting for one week.

OFFICIAL BOARD

The September meeting of the Official Board has been scheduled for Wednesday, the 11th, at 7:45 P. M.

ELDERS—SEPTEMBER

September 1st, P. H. Somers, Dale Parkerson.

September 8th, Myron Cole, H. G. Hiler.

September 15th, Robert Clipp, Alex. M. Campbell.

September 22nd, John Davis, A. O. Schell.

September 29th, B. W. Leversee, W. C. Birkhold.

If unable to serve, please call Myron Cole, Chairman.

DEACONS—SEPTEMBER

Merland Heller, Captain

F. Wayne Rousseau,

William Crouse,

Wm. E. Tracey

Ralph J. Richard

Wm. Moffitt

Dale Hiler

Don Eyer

If unable to serve, please call your Captain.

PRAY! GIVE! GO!

Three things the Master hath us do,

And we who serve Him here below

And long to see His kingdom come,

Must pray, then give, or go.

He needs them all, the open hand,

The willing feet, the asking heart,

To work together and to weave

The threefold creed that shall not part.

Not all can go, but all can give

To arm the others for the fray,

And young or old or rich or poor,

Or strong or weak—we all can pray.

—Unknown.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Love in the birth of a daughter, Dorcas Jean, August 9th.

PHOTOGRAPHS

Those who have ordered from the series of group pictures may call for them at the church office.

ILLNESS

We are happy to learn that Mary Margaret Davis is recovering from her recent illness.



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MORNING WORSHIP — 10:30 A. M.

Sermon: **WHAT IS YOUR RELIGION?** Speaker: **OUR PASTOR**

Organ Prelude: 10:25 A. M. Mrs. R. M. Scott at the Organ

Anthem directed by Miss Marjorie Sutton

VACATION IS OVER: Start the Fall months by being in Church this Sunday.

We bid farewell to our young people leaving for College.

The best wishes go to all our youth returning to school.

CHURCH SCHOOL — 9:30 A. M.

Please remember the new time.

Let the whole family come to the Church School this Sunday.

BEING HAPPY IN THE CHURCH

One of the tests of our church life is the kind of happiness it gives us. One should be happy in the church and its relationships.

ONE SHOULD BE HAPPY WHEN HE WORSHIPS

If one enters the church and looks first at the worshippers he may be very unhappy. When he looks toward God the whole vision may be colored by the attitude of the people present. If, however, he looks first toward God his attitude toward his fellow-worshippers will be lifted with understanding and mercy and kindness and he will leave the church strengthened and helped. The music, the prayers, the worship about the Lord's Table will carry meaning and significance, when we set our minds first on God.

ONE SHOULD BE HAPPY WHEN HE GIVES

If when one gives he has misgivings. If he feels he has given too much. He is not happy, nor does he discover "it is more blessed to give than to receive."

If when one gives, he is ashamed of it, and covers the envelope with his hand so no one may see it, he is not happy and receives little blessing.

If, however, when one gives, he gives understandingly, knowing that he is having a part in the world work of the church, aware of the great part his church is having in the life of the community, grateful for the opportunity he has to serve in and thru the church, and if when he gives, he gives loving the work of his Lord, who gave all, then as a giver **he is happy.**

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● FOR THE CHILDREN

Jarvis Christian College added a nursery school to its activities this fall. On the campus are many pre-school children who will take advantage of this training. Others come from the surrounding community.

The school will also serve as a laboratory school for classes in Child Psychology and Child Care.

A plan is under consideration whereby the college physician, together with the cooperation of the State Department of Health, will provide periodic health examinations and follow this up with an immunization program requisite to the early discovery and control of communicable diseases.



● FROM MEXICO

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Holroyd, of San Luis Potosi, Mexico, have arrived for their regular furlough. In their absence Miss Ruth Leslie has moved from the Los Haro ranch to share the work with Miss Hallie Strange in San Luis Potosi.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kepple, living in Aguascalientes, make regular trips out to the village of Pabellon where they hope to establish a work soon.

In October, when they made the trip for a Sunday service, they stopped along the highway where they regularly conduct services. Fourteen people, of all ages, had gathered to hear them that day. In addition to the gospel message, hymns are taught, one book is lent to the group each week, and sometimes a game is left with them.

Some day this, too, will be the site of an outstation for the Mexico Mission.



● AFTER EIGHT YEARS

Although peace has come to the nations, adjustments in China will of necessity move slowly. Most of the members of our churches now in West China will want to return to their homes in the former occupied areas, but that will not be possible for several months at least. Transportation is exceedingly difficult even yet and arrangements are hard to make.

The University of Nanking, Ginling College, and the Nanking Theological Seminary, in which we are much interested, opened their fall terms in Chengtu as usual and will continue there until conditions make it possible to return to the eastern stations.

It is likely that many of the families of our churches will need assistance in the return trip, for most of them lost all their possessions in the trek out, and the still rising cost of living during the war has taken all they could earn to maintain physical health.

However, the return of these Christians to the churches which have carried on through the occupation will greatly strengthen the Christian work and will encourage those who have held on in spite of great difficulties.

"I have not tasted meat for nearly three months." Thus writes Pastor Li Chow-wu from Wuhu, China, in the first letter received after the liberation of this area.

Not that he is complaining about conditions. He seems more concerned about others, and very, very grateful that the long siege is over. He writes,

"After eight years in darkness, now all of a sudden we see the light shining because of the end of the war and the coming of peace. We were spiritually imprisoned and now our spirits are released. We are very grateful for the care of our Lord in enabling both East and West China workers to continue at their posts until this time . . ."



PRAISE YE THE LORD

**Praise the Lord: ye heavens adore Him;
Praise Him, angels in the height;
Sun and moon, rejoice before Him:
Praise Him, all ye stars of light.**

**Praise the Lord, for He hath spoken;
Worlds His mighty voice obeyed;
Laws which never shall be broken
For their guidance He hath made.**

—Edward Osler, 1836.

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ONE SHOULD BE HAPPY IN HIS SERVICE IN THE CHURCH

If one is happy about his home, the drudgery passes into loving labor. Sometimes when one isn't happy in his work in the church, it is because he is in the wrong place. Perhaps you are not happy as a teacher, or perhaps you are not happy on the committee on which you are serving. Long ago it was called to our attention that there are many members in the body and one member can't do the work of another member. We should find our right place or places in the church where we can serve best and where we are happy. It is unquestionably true that unless you are at work in the church, your joy in your church is greatly modified. **WORK IN YOUR CHURCH AND BE HAPPY IN YOUR CHURCH.**

OFFICIAL BOARD

The regular meeting of the Official Board will be held Wednesday evening, September 11th at 7:45 p.m.

EVENING GUILD

The Evening Guild will hold their meeting at Foster Park, Monday evening, September 19th. Miss Leah Miller will have charge of the picnic supper which will be served promptly at 6:30 p.m. Mrs. Ruby Miller will be the leader and Miss Ernie Owen will give the devotions.

BAKE SALE

The Martha Group will have a bake sale at the Barr Street Market, Wednesday, September 11th.

NAOMI GROUP

The Naomi Group will meet with Mrs. C. J. Sharp, 1616 Pemberton Ave., Wednesday, September 11th at 2:00 p.m. Mrs. C. F. Ellison will be the assistant hostess.

SCHOOL OF MISSIONS

September 18th and 19th

The School of Missions will begin sessions at noon on the 18th. The Youth Banquet will be Wednesday the 18th and tickets will be 75c. There will be all day sessions on Thursday with luncheon at noon. Tickets 45c. Registration tickets will not be sold this year but free-will offerings will be taken. The School will be held in the Forest Park Methodist Church.

COME DOUBLE CLASS

The Come Double Class will have a weiner roast Friday, September 13th at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Cole, 3930 Lillie St. Bring your own weiners and buns, table service and covered dish.

SYMPATHY

Our sympathy goes out to Mrs. Orville Miller in the loss of her father, Mr. Studebaker, who died a week ago last Sunday and was buried the following Wednesday. Orville Miller is a deacon in our church.

LIBRARY

The church library has been established for your use. Are YOU using it?

There are just three things which we can do with life. We can hoard it, we can squander it, or we can invest it. Now is the time to covenant with God that we will invest it.

—Bruce R. Baxter

Small kindness, small courtesies, small considerations, habitually practiced in our social relationships, give a greater charm to the character than the display of great talent and accomplishments.

—M. A. Kelty.

When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars which thou hast ordained.

—Psalms 8:3.



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MORNING WORSHIP — 10:30 A.M.

Sermon: **Has Your Christianity Failed?**

Preacher: **Our Pastor**

Organ Prelude: 10:35 A.M. Mrs. R. M. Scott, Organist

Anthem: Directed by Miss Marjorie Sutton

Offertory Duet: Miss Sutton and Mr. Owen O. Vaught

COMING BACK TO THE HOME CHURCH

It is a good experience to go on a vacation, and, as all good members do, visit other churches. It is encouraging and strengthening to know that people everywhere love the church and go to its services, but it gives peculiar satisfaction to sit in with them and share in their worship experiences. It is good to visit in another Christian home. It is encouraging and strengthening to find that Christian homes everywhere offer grace before meals, have a time for family worship and meditation, not only to know it but to share in it is a real experience.

But as good as it is to hear other voices, to be in other places, nothing takes the place of coming back home, coming back again to the home church, your own church. Here you know when the minister prays he is praying for you and with you. He is your minister. You are in his heart. Here are your own people! You know them or most of them. You know their faults. But you know their good qualities too. Here, too, it is your job to make your church strong. To make your church kind, tender-hearted, courageous, spiritual, Christian. Vacation is over. You are home again. Home and Church! How satisfying it is to come back to the Home Church.

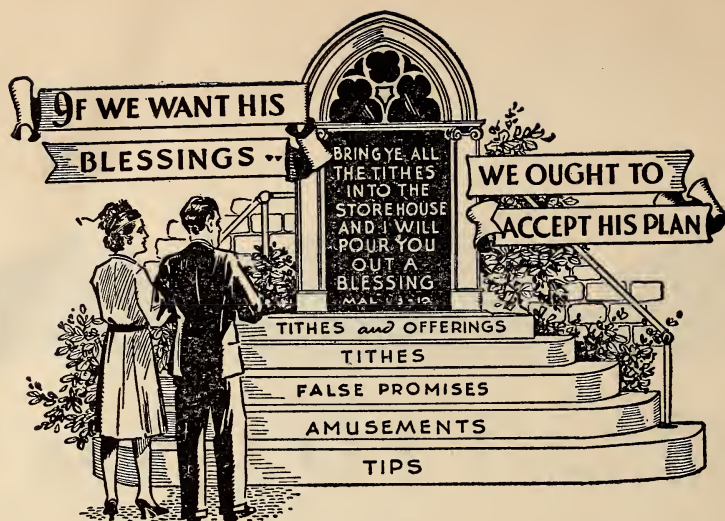
CHURCH SCHOOL — 9:30 A.M.

A program for the Whole Family. Be in the Church School this Sunday.

Organ Prelude: 10:25 A.M. Mrs. R. M. Scott, Organist

FINAL PICTURES ARE TO BE MADE SUNDAY

Especially should the Men's Class, the Choir, the C.Y.F., be present in good numbers this Sunday. These pictures will be taken at the church school hour, 9:30 A.M.



There are five steps on which folks stop in their financial relation to God. They are:

The Tip Step—They give God a dime as they do the girl that checks their hat. They may even give a quarter, and equal their gratuity to the porter or waiter at their club. Surely God is not pleased by such ungratefulness for His blessings.

The Amusement Step—These folks give when, or if, they attend church. It is on the same level as their patronage of the theatre or baseball park. Others may support the church fifty-two weeks a year. They pay only when they go, or as a government official once put on his pledge card, "\$5. per week, when I come". Can we hope for God's blessing on such giving?

The Promise Step—It is a well known fact that many pledge that which they never even try to pay. They impress the church Canvassers with their false "generosity" and do not hesitate to let others know how much "we pledge". What God thinks of this is found in the story of Ananias and Sapphira who made a pledge, had the money to pay it and then held out on God. They were accused of lying to the Holy Spirit, and their punishment was death. False promises do not merit His blessing.

The Tithe Step—Some believe the law of the tithe to be God's plan for all time and therefore binding on Christians. Honesty requires them to pay it. Others accept it as a fair and reasonable plan for recognizing His ownership and their stewardship. But whether we consider it an obligation or a privilege, surely we ought not to do less as Christians than was required by the law. At any rate, God's challenge has never been recalled, "prove me . . . and see if I will not pour out a blessing".

The Tithe and Offerings Step—The tithe of old was the measure of honesty, but the offerings the evidence of love. God, speaking through Malachi, said, "Ye have robbed me in tithes and offerings." The tithe places rich and poor on the same plane. The offerings above the tithe enables the one of large means to show his true appreciation of his greater blessings. May it not be that God is saying to you today as was said to one of old who was occupying a lower place than he should have been, "Friend, go up higher".



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ANNIVERSARY BOOKS

Order blanks for the books will be mailed next week. These books will cost \$1.50. Some are buying extra copies for their children and friends. Get your orders in early.

NOTES

Mr. Elmore Schlatter is seriously ill at his home at 926 Lake Avenue.

Mr. J. C. Reithmiller is confined to his home at 1924½ South Calhoun.

WOMAN'S COUNCIL

The regular meeting of the Woman's Council will be held Tuesday evening, September 17th. The Martha Circle is in charge of the program and the Evening Guild will be hostess.

SCHOOL OF MISSIONS

The School of Missions will be held the 18th and 19th of September at the Forest Park Methodist Church. The Youth banquet will be on Wednesday evening, September 18th. Tickets 50c. Sessions will begin at 1:00 o'clock Wednesday and 9:00 o'clock Thursday. Tickets will not be sold this year but offerings will be taken at the sessions. Let us have a good representation from First Christian.

ILLNESS

Mrs. H. K. Pritchard, who has been ill, is rapidly recovering. Mr. Alexander Campbell, who underwent a minor operation is recovering nicely.

PICTURES

The C.Y.F., the Choir, the C.Bs, and the Men's Class will have their pictures taken next Sunday morning. These pictures will go into our new history booklet.

PROSPECTIVE MEMBER

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Vaughn, grandparents, and to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Moses, parents of a lovely babe. Mrs. Moses is in room No. 402 of the Methodist hospital.

ATTENTION! C.Y.F. GROUP

The C.Y.F. will resume its meetings next Sunday evening at 6:00 o'clock. Miss Martha Dilts and Leonard Horn are Co-Chairmen, Miss Marlene Gaskill is Secretary and James Crouse is Treasurer.

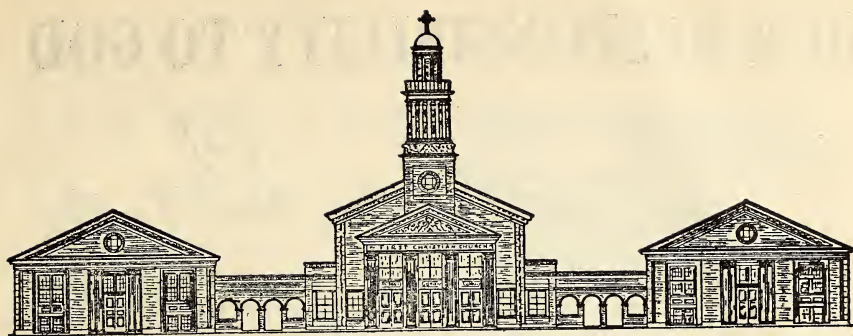
YOU'LL WANT TO OBSERVE

Church Program Week, September 29—October 6. All of the major committees of a church should use this occasion, actually, as a program launching week when a carefully constructed program of educational activities for the year ahead will be emphasized. The week embodies everything included in Religious Education Week.

World Wide Communion Sunday, October 6. This is a day, now widely observed by Protestants throughout the world, when emphasis is given in worship and through the sermon to the significance of the Lord's Supper and the universal implications of the Christian faith.

Week of the Ministry, October 13-20. This is an opportune time for the local church to emphasize the centrality of the ministry in the active congregation. Every church and local organization not yet enrolled in the Pension Fund should make every effort to see that the pastor and every other employed member of the local church staff is enrolled for the full protection of the benefits provided under the Pension Plan.

Christian Literature Week, October 27 - November 3. Coming as it does during Protestant Press Month (all of October), the observance should result, in the words of President Truman, "in a quickening of our appreciation of spiritual values in American life."



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MORNING WORSHIP — 10:30 A.M.

Sermon: Living Without Bitterness
Organ Prelude 10:25 A.M.

Preacher: Our Pastor
Special Music

September 28 - October 6—Religious Education Week

Special Dinner for Teachers and Officers

October 3—Teachers and Officers will be honored in city-wide observance

FAMILY NIGHT — THIS SUNDAY EVENING — SEPTEMBER 29

6:00 P.M. Carry-in Dinner

Round Table Presentation of Anniversary Preparation

Speakers Committee in Charge: Mrs. David Hogg, Miss Ethel Shroyer, Mrs. Robert T. Beck, Alexander Campbell, H. W. Sigrist, Owen Vaught, Henry Flowers and our minister will participate.

The Christian Builders Group will Present

a humorous one-act play
in the Church Sanctuary.

A. O. Schell, Chairman of the Board, will preside

The Women's Council will be the Hostesses

CHURCH SCHOOL — 9:30 A.M.

Final Plans will be Made this Sunday for Rally Day

Rally Day — Promotion Sunday, October 6

World Communion Sunday — October 6.

The call is to every member of the Church and Church School to be present on World Communion Sunday. Churches of all communions will celebrate the Lord's Supper this Sunday.

This is one of the most widely attended services of the year.

YOUR CHURCH CALLS YOU TO WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY

OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO GOD



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The Well-To-Do

The Parable of the Talents deals directly with the Stewardship of Money. In it a man divided his wealth among his servants. According to custom in those days they were to invest it for him. Since a talent of silver is about a thousand dollars, he gave to one man \$5,000.00, to another \$2,000.00 and to a third \$1,000.00. The story tells us

that each man had business ability; so they must have been men of means and experience. Two of them were faithful to the trust and in time doubled the investment. They were commended and rewarded. The third, however, was not faithful and was condemned and cast out, and all that he had taken away. To the well-to-do this parable says in no uncertain terms that God holds them responsible for a wise investment and a fair return on the money He entrusts to them. But, if they will not be honest with Him, they cannot expect His continued blessing.

"For it is as when a man, going into another country, called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods. And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one; to each according to his several ability; and he went on his journey. Straightway he that received the five talents went and traded with them, and made other five talents. In like manner he also that received the two gained other two. But he that received the one went away and digged in the earth, and hid his lord's money. Now after a long time the lord of those servants cometh, and maketh a reckoning with them. And he that received the five talents came and brought other five talents, saying, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: lo, I have gained other five talents. His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will set thee over many things; enter thou into the joy of thy lord. . . . And he also that had received one talent came and said, Lord, I was afraid and hid thy talent in the earth. . . . But his lord answered and said unto him, Thou wicked and slothful servant . . . I should have received back mine own with interest.—Matthew 25:14-30.

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WOMAN'S COUNCIL

The Dorcas Group will meet with Mrs. A. O. Schell, 225 Esmond St., Thursday, October 3. Please bring finished articles for the Bazaar.

The Esther Group will meet Wednesday afternoon, October 2nd, at the home of Mrs. Wm. Hilbish, 328 W. Butler Street. Please bring your articles for the next box for the Philippines.

The Rachel Group will meet with Mrs. J. Z. Berlein, 2918 Bowser Ave., Tuesday afternoon, October 1. Mrs. Irene Cline in charge of Devotions and Mrs. Whitman has the program.

The Naomi Group will have a one o'clock luncheon meeting, Wednesday, October 9, at the home of Mrs. David Hogg, 2125 Anthony Blvd. Mrs. A. C. Worley will give a book review.

The Martha Group will meet with Mrs. Ray Woodhull, 2650 Fox Avenue, Tuesday, October 1, at 2:15 P.M.

The Ruth Group will meet with Mrs. Harry Lomont, 1126 Fairfield Avenue, Tuesday afternoon, October 1. Mrs. Mae Sheline will give the devotions. Election of Officers.

ILLNESS

Master Sammy Sefton, 909 Archer, has been a patient in the Methodist Hospital.

Mrs. Alma Beck has been ill but is much improved.

Mr. O. G. Schell is improving.

Mr. A. R. Richardson has been quite ill in Methodist Hospital.

OCTOBER 22

Is the day we visit the Emily E. Flinn Home at Marion. We will meet at the church at 9:30 A.M. Transportation will be provided for all who will go. Keep this date open. Group leaders are requested to urge a full attendance. Those without cars call your Group Leader or call Mrs. Esther Whitton, Transportation Chairman, H-79601. Those who will drive please report to your Group Leader or Mrs. Whitton.

OCTOBER 6

Youth Rally—Etna Green, Ind. 2:30 P.M.

Afternoon and Evening

Banquet—60c—For All Youth

OUR LITERATURE

Racks in Our Church

Due to the foresight of Mrs. H. W. Sigrist our literature rack in the vestibule of our church is filled again. Look these over. These are valuable for new members or those thinking about becoming members.

Our World Call

Our church stands among the better churches in the number of subscribers according to our membership. We received a certificate for this accomplishment and it is framed in the social room of the church. Mrs. Charles Dare is World Call Secretary. **Every new member** should become a subscriber to the **World Call**. See the office secretary or Mrs. Dare and leave your \$1.25 for year's subscription.

Hearthstone

New copies of the **Hearthstone** will be available next Sunday at the church service. These are available at net cost to the church, 10c. Get a copy; take it home; read it every day in this coming quarter.

Y.M.C.A.

October 7-11 has been set aside by the Y.M.C.A. as Homecoming Enrollment Week. At this time a special effort is made to secure members by the Y.M.C.A. The churches and the "Y" have a long history of friendly cooperation in Fort Wayne. It is a very worthwhile organization, and the men of the church are urged to investigate the benefits that joining the "Y" can bring them. Our Alexander Campbell is heading this drive for new members. Mr. Campbell recently spoke before the meeting of the churches of Marion County.



